

# LITTLE WISE GUYS

APPROVED  
BY THE  
COMICS  
CODE  
AUTHORITY

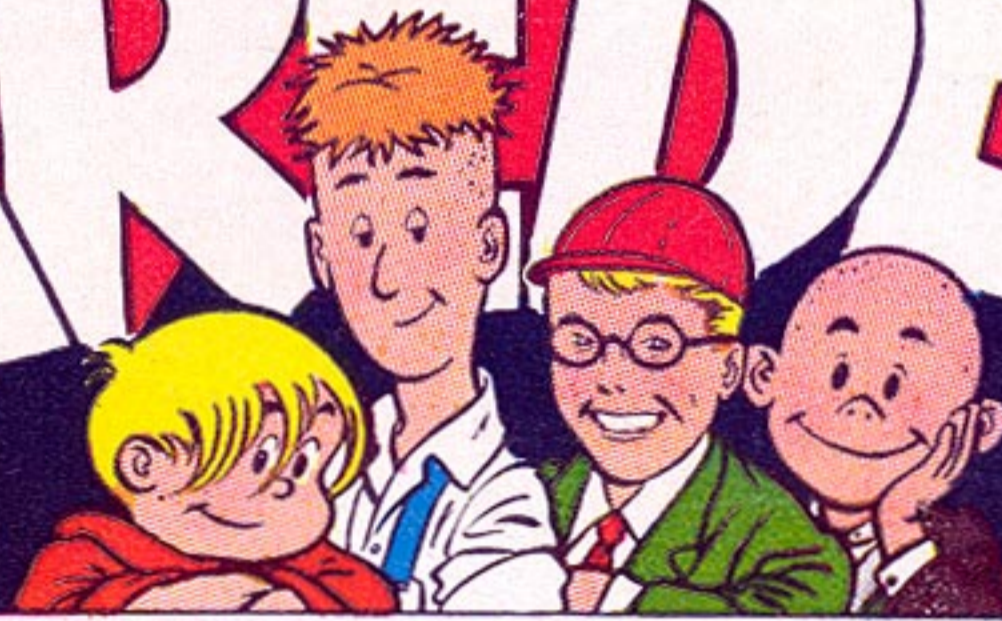


starring in

# DAREDEVIL

10¢

10  
PDC

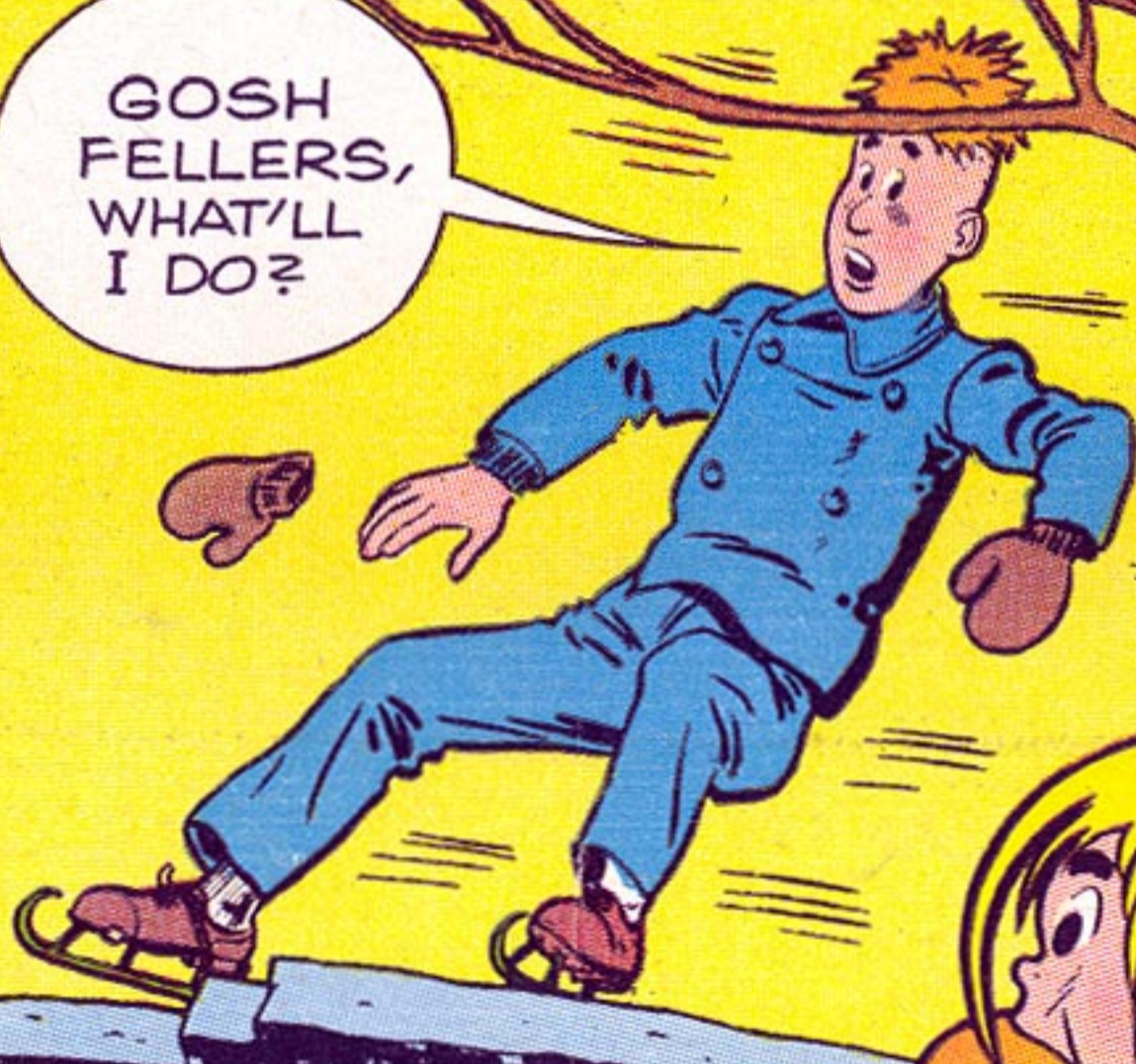


DEC. NO. 128

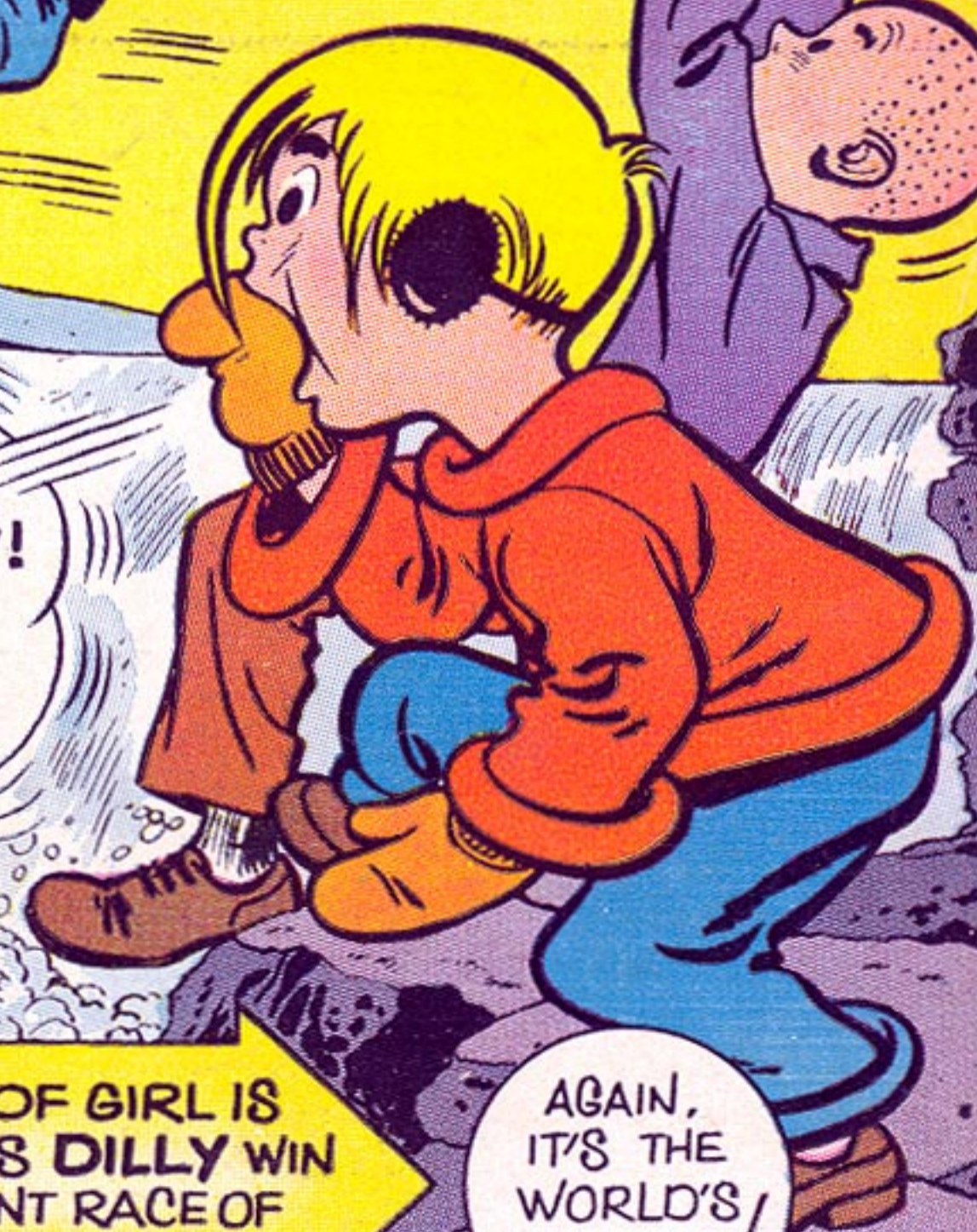
LEV GLEASON, PUBLISHER • PRODUCED BY CHARLES BIRO

**SPECTACULAR  
THRILLS!  
IS SCARECROW  
DOOMED ON THIS  
RUNAWAY ICE  
SLAB???**  
**CAN HIS PAL'S  
SAVE HIM?**

GOSH  
FELLERS,  
WHAT'LL  
I DO?



DON'T GIVE  
UP, SCARECROW!  
TRY TO  
G.. GRAB THE  
B.. BRANCH!



AGAIN,  
IT'S THE  
WORLD'S/  
FUNNIEST.

WHAT MANNER OF GIRL IS  
THIS? HOW DOES DILLY WIN  
THE MOST IMPORTANT RACE OF  
HIS SLAPSTICK CAREER?



CHARLES  
BIRO



# WEB COMIC UNIVERSE.COM

**FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY!**

**This Wonderful Easy Way to Play HARMONICA**

**Plus the Biggest Harmonica Bargain Ever Offered!**



**ALL FOR ONLY \$1.98**

**HERE'S WHAT YOU GET:**

1. This full size professional hand tuned harmonica with solid brass plates and bronze reeds to give it a beautiful tone.
2. Hoppy's unbelievable new simple method of playing the harmonica with actual pictures to show you how. Endorsed by the stars of radio and records.
3. Over 100 specially selected popular songs, complete with words and music so that you can sing and play right along with your favorite radio programs and records. Each song is marked with numbers so you can play on sight.

Thousands who couldn't play a tune are now popular entertainers thanks to the amazing Hoppy method of playing the harmonica. You too, can gain popularity and earn extra money.

**EXTRA** and free of extra charge — for a limited time if you order now, we will include a miniature harmonica that actually plays yet it is no bigger than a postage stamp.



**WE GUARANTEE**

If you can hum or whistle a tune — Even if you don't know a single note of music — "Hoppy's" New Harmonica Course will show you how to play the harmonica in 15 MINUTES — OR MONEY BACK.

**SEND FOR THIS BARGAIN OFFER TODAY**

You must act now as this offer is for a limited time only. Just send your name and address on a penny postcard. Your beautiful key of C professional metal harmonica, Hoppy's complete book of instructions, the selection of over 100 songs and if you act now, the miniature harmonica will be mailed at once. On arrival pay the postman just \$1.98 plus C.O.D. and postage. Keep it for 7 days on a free trial offer. If you are not satisfied, return it and your money will be refunded at once. If you wish to save costly C.O.D. postage, enclose \$1.98 with your order and Hoppy will send it to you postpaid. Remember this is a limited time offer so order now—TODAY.

**SPECIAL HARMONICA OFFER COUPON**

**HOPKINSON CORPORATION, Dept. 252**  
**75 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Illinois**  
 Please rush your special bargain harmonica offer at once. I will pay postman \$1.98 plus C.O.D. postage on arrival. If not delighted, I will return within 7 days for refund of purchase price. (Cash with order, Hoppy pays postage.)

Send C.O.D. plus postage.  Cash enclosed. Send postpaid.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ Zone \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**HOPKINSON CORPORATION**

Dept. 252 75 E. Wacker Drive Chicago 1, Illinois

# The LITTLE WISE GUYS

in "IT'S IN THE BAG"

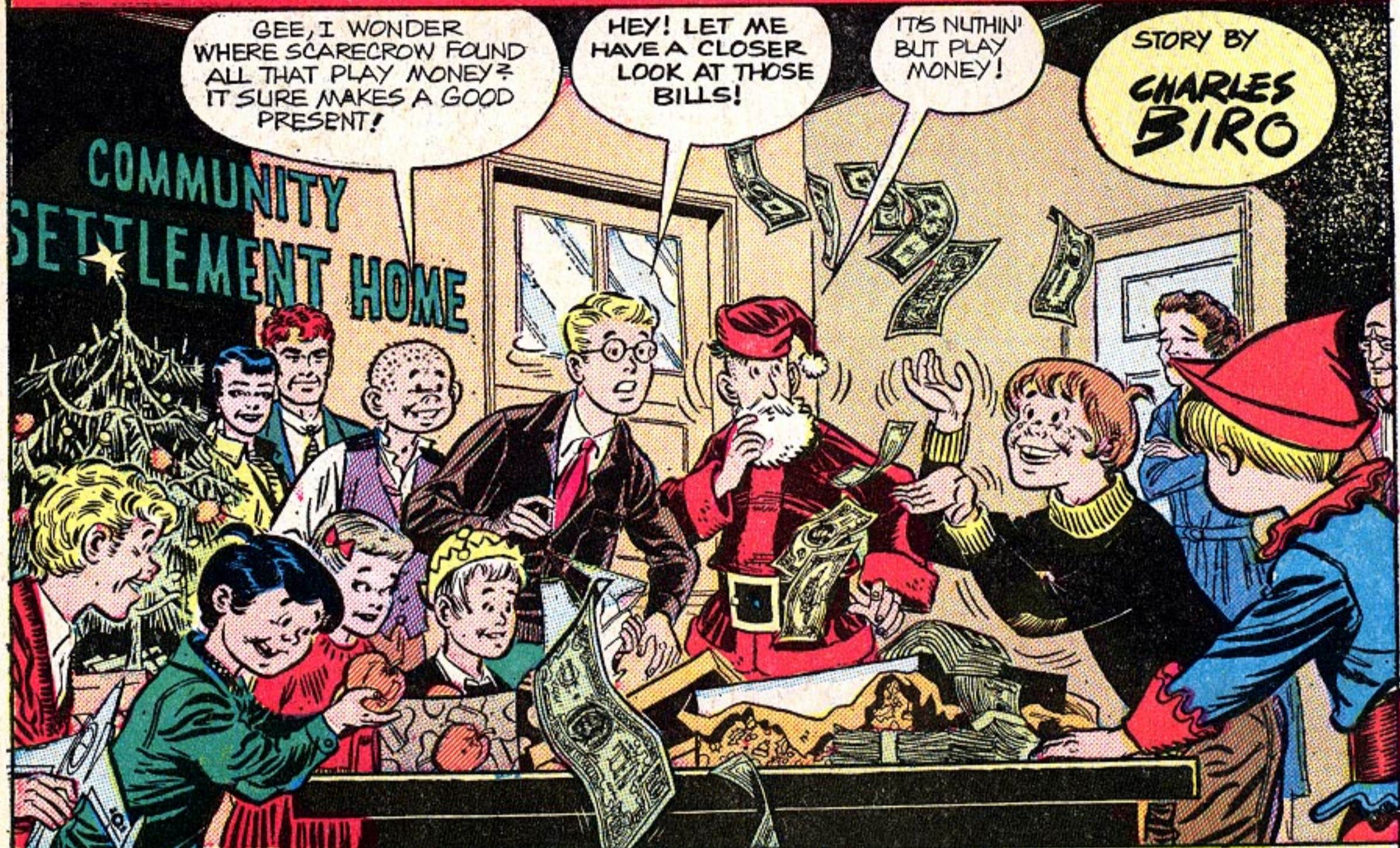
GEE, I WONDER WHERE SCARECROW FOUND ALL THAT PLAY MONEY? IT SURE MAKES A GOOD PRESENT!

HEY! LET ME HAVE A CLOSER LOOK AT THOSE BILLS!

IT'S NUTHIN' BUT PLAY MONEY!

STORY BY  
**CHARLES BIRG**

COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT HOME



WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU OPENED A LARGE GIFT BOX AND FOUND IT PACKED WITH NEW CRISP MONEY AND YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHO YOUR GENEROUS GIVER WAS? WOULD YOU KEEP IT?

SUPPOSE YOU DECIDED TO, BUT CERTAIN UNPLEASANT PEOPLE HAD OTHER PLANS FOR IT? SEE WHAT THE LITTLE WISE GUYS DO!

THE POOR LITTLE FELLOWS! THEY'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRISTMAS SO MUCH, AND THERE'S SO LITTLE WE CAN DO FOR THEM!

I'LL HELP OUT WITH THE PARTY! AND SO WILL MY GIRL FRIEND, ELLEN! WE'LL COOK UP SOMETHING!

THOSE KIDS DESERVE THE BEST! I WISH WE COULD GIVE IT TO THEM!

SAY, I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE STORE! IF I'M LATE AGAIN, MR. ASTON WILL FIRE ME, AND I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MY JOB JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS!

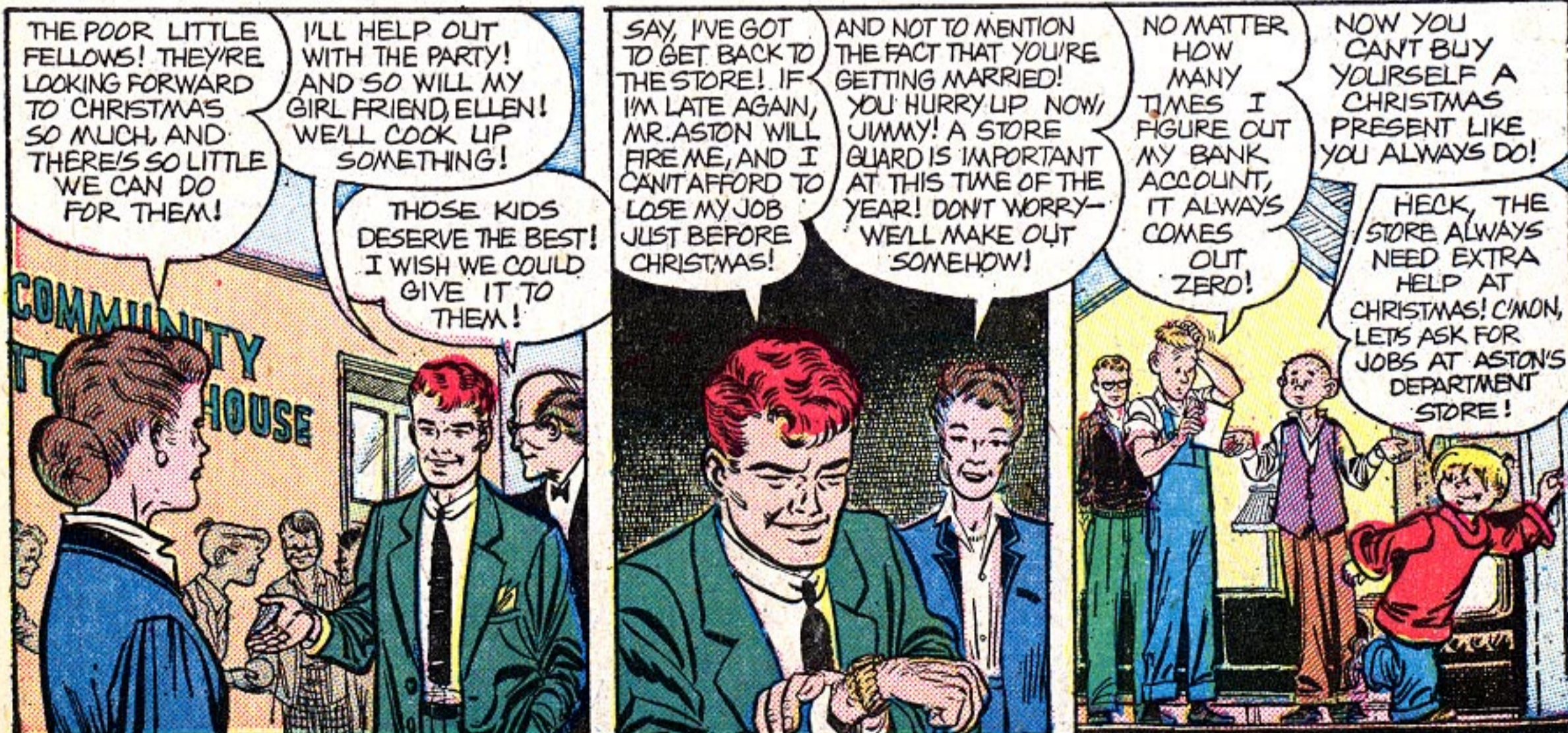
AND NOT TO MENTION THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED! YOU HURRY UP NOW, JIMMY! A STORE GUARD IS IMPORTANT AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR! DON'T WORRY—WE'LL MAKE OUT SOMEHOW!

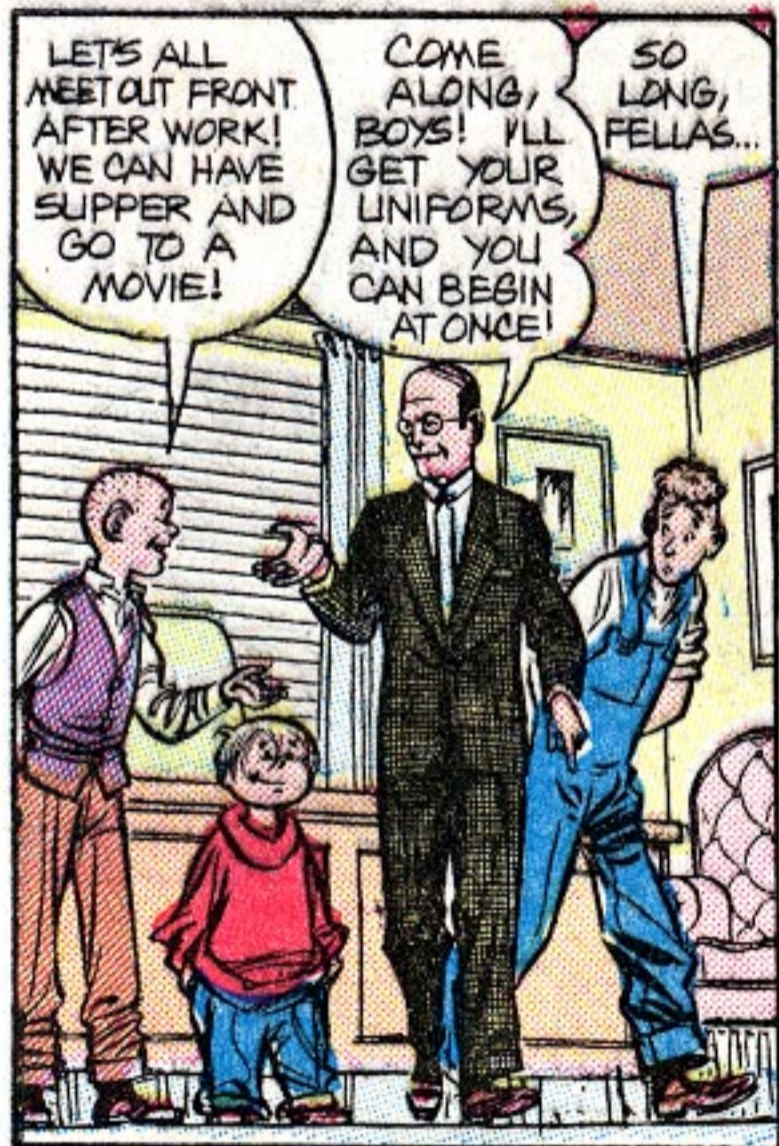
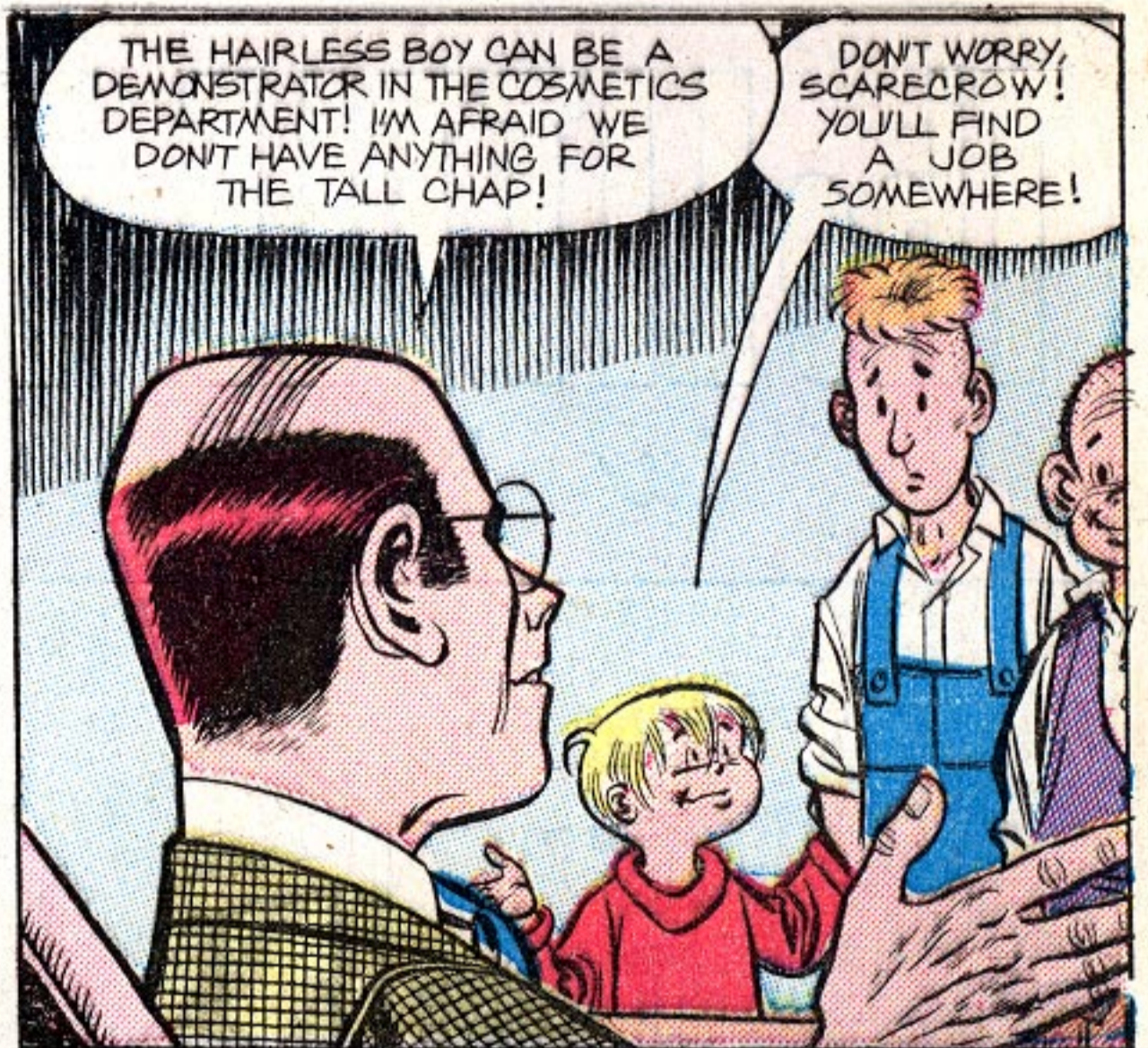
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I FIGURE OUT MY BANK ACCOUNT, IT ALWAYS COMES OUT ZERO!

NOW YOU CAN'T BUY YOURSELF A CHRISTMAS PRESENT LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO!

HECK, THE STORE ALWAYS NEED EXTRA HELP AT CHRISTMAS! C'MON, LET'S ASK FOR JOBS AT ASTON'S DEPARTMENT STORE!

COMMUNITY HOUSE







THOSE GUYS HAVE BEEN HANGING AROUND OUT THERE FOR ALMOST A HALF HOUR! I WONDER WHAT THEY'RE UP TO? NO GOOD, I'LL BET!



ARE THE RECEIPTS IN THAT BOX? WHY AREN'T YOU USING THE LOCKED BRIEFCASE?

IT'S A WORLD SHAKING IDEA OF MR. ASTON'S! HE SAYS THAT NO THIEF WOULD SUSPECT THERE'S MONEY IN A GIFT WRAPPED PACKAGE!



PARDON, ME, MISS!

JIMMY! HE'S GOT THE BOX!

OOFF! PARDON ME, SIR!



HELP! THERE HE GOES! JIMMY!

GET OUT OF MY WAY!

JUST A MINUTE, MISTER! WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE PUSHING AROUND?



GET OUT OF THE WAY, YOU FOOL! STOP! STOP THAT MAN!



STOP HIM! HE'S STOLEN THE STORE RECEIPTS!

WHICH WAY DID HE GO?

I CAN'T RUN NOW THAT COP WOULD SPOT ME! I'D BETTER DITCH THIS BOX BEFORE THEY SEE ME WITH IT! I CAN PICK IT UP LATER!



HERE YOU ARE, SANTA! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

GEE... THANKS!



WHERE IS HE? WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?

I DON'T KNOW... IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST, HE WAS AVERAGE HEIGHT, TAN COAT, BALD HEAD I THINK... I'M NOT SURE!

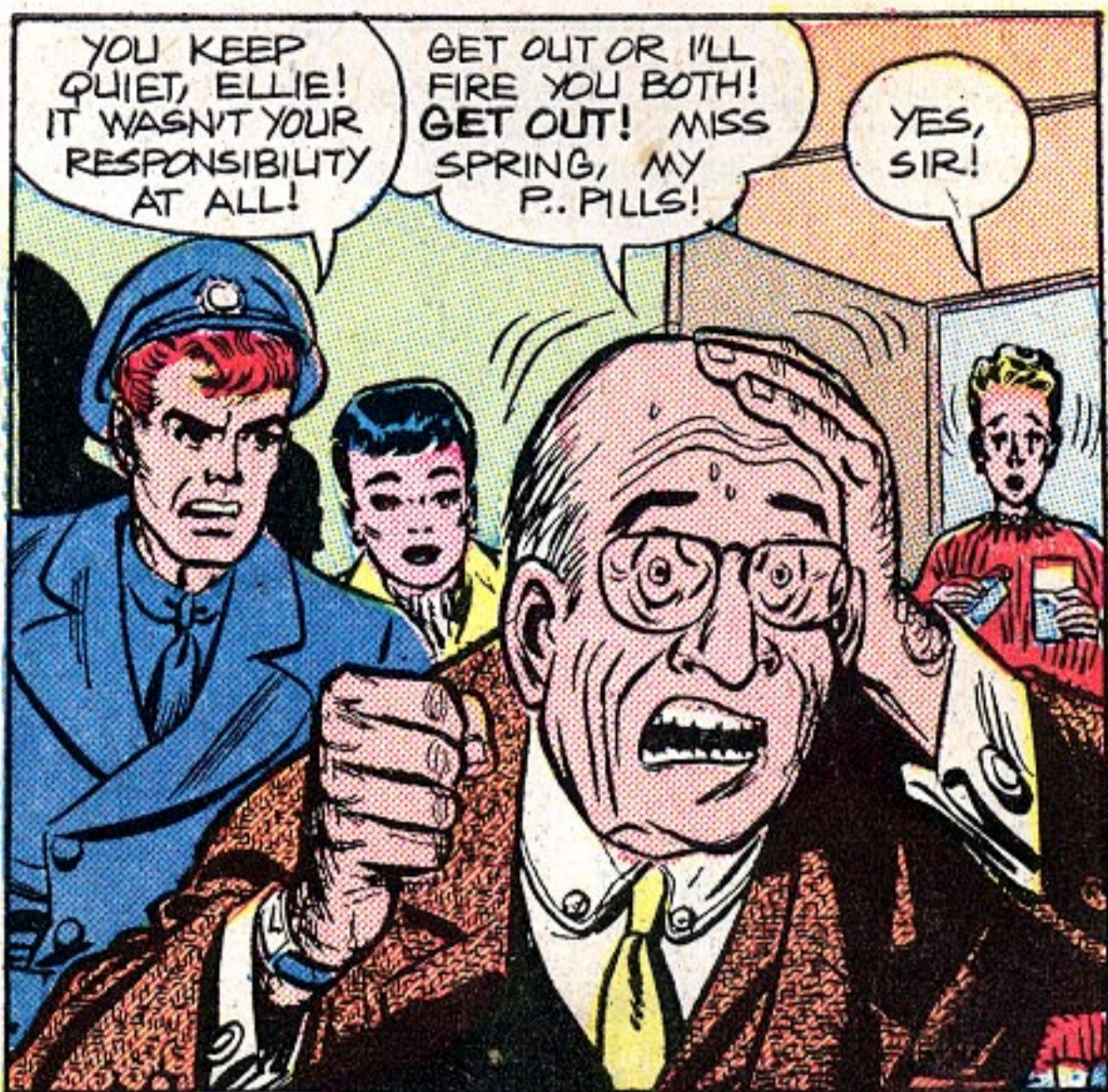
WE'D BETTER TELL MR. ASTON RIGHT AWAY!



YOU BLUNDERING FOOL! GET OUT! YOU'RE FIRED!

IT WASN'T MY FAULT, YOU OLD GOAT!

QUIET, JIMMY, YOU'LL ONLY MAKE IT WORSE! PLEASE, MR. ASTON, IT WAS AS MUCH MY FAULT AS HIS!



YOU KEEP QUIET, ELLIE! IT WASN'T YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AT ALL!

GET OUT OR I'LL FIRE YOU BOTH! GET OUT! MISS SPRING, MY P. PILLS!

YES, SIR!



I KNEW SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN SOONER OR LATER! I CAN NEVER HOLD A JOB MORE THAN A COUPLE OF MONTHS! I'M NO GOOD!

DON'T SAY THAT, JIMMY! YOU'VE JUST BEEN UNLUCKY! NOW YOU GO ON OVER TO THE SETTLEMENT HOUSE, AND I'LL JOIN YOU LATER! IT'S ALL RIGHT, HONEY... WE'LL WORK THINGS OUT SOMEHOW!



GEE, I HOPE SCARECROW FOUND A JOB! HE LOOKED PRETTY SAD WHEN HE LEFT!

THAT'S FUNNY... HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE WAITING OUT HERE!



HEY, SANTA! HAVE YOU SEEN A TALL KID IN OVERALLS AND A DUMB EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE?

GEE, NO! THERE'S NOBODY HERE BUT ME!

THAT VOICE SOUNDS FAMILIAR!



IT'S SCARECROW! TERRIFIC! YOU GOT A JOB!

I HAD YOU FOOLED, DIDN'T I?

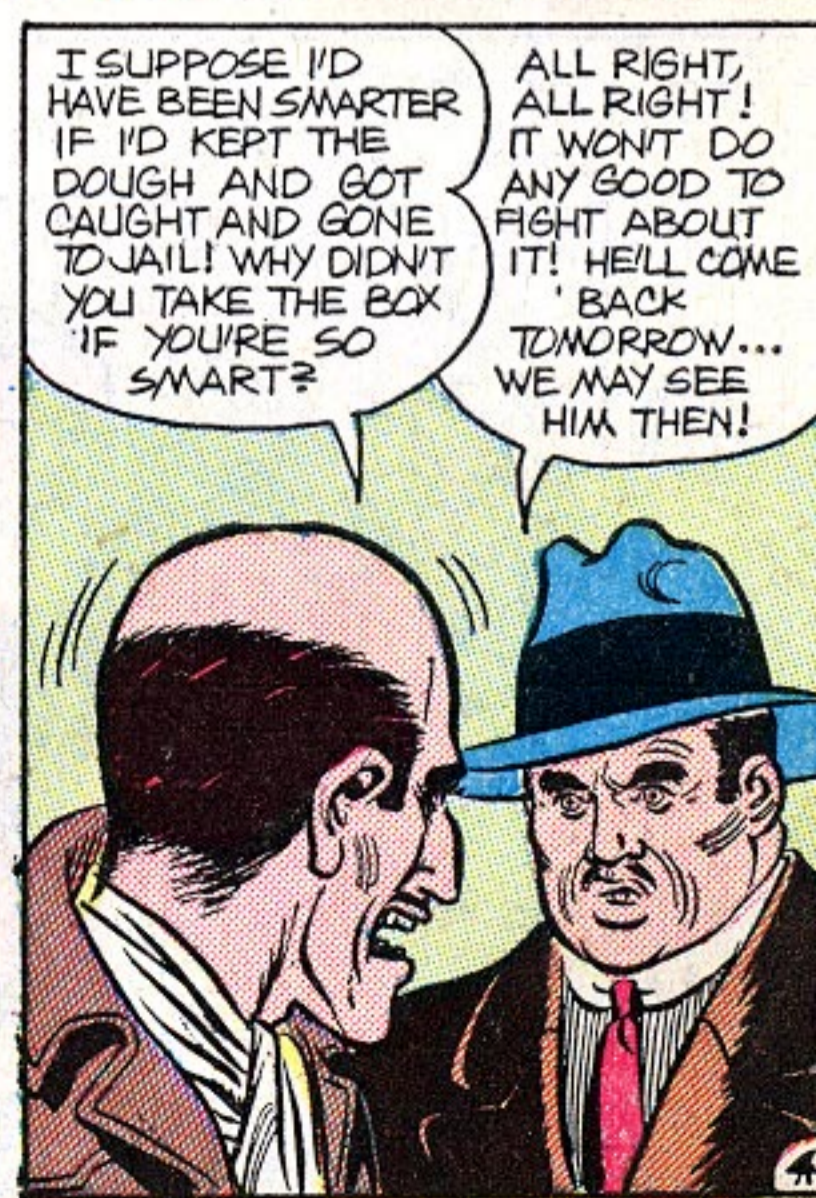
NOW I'VE SEEN EVERYTHING! C'MON, LET'S GO HOME AND EAT!



AND A FEW MINUTES LATER...

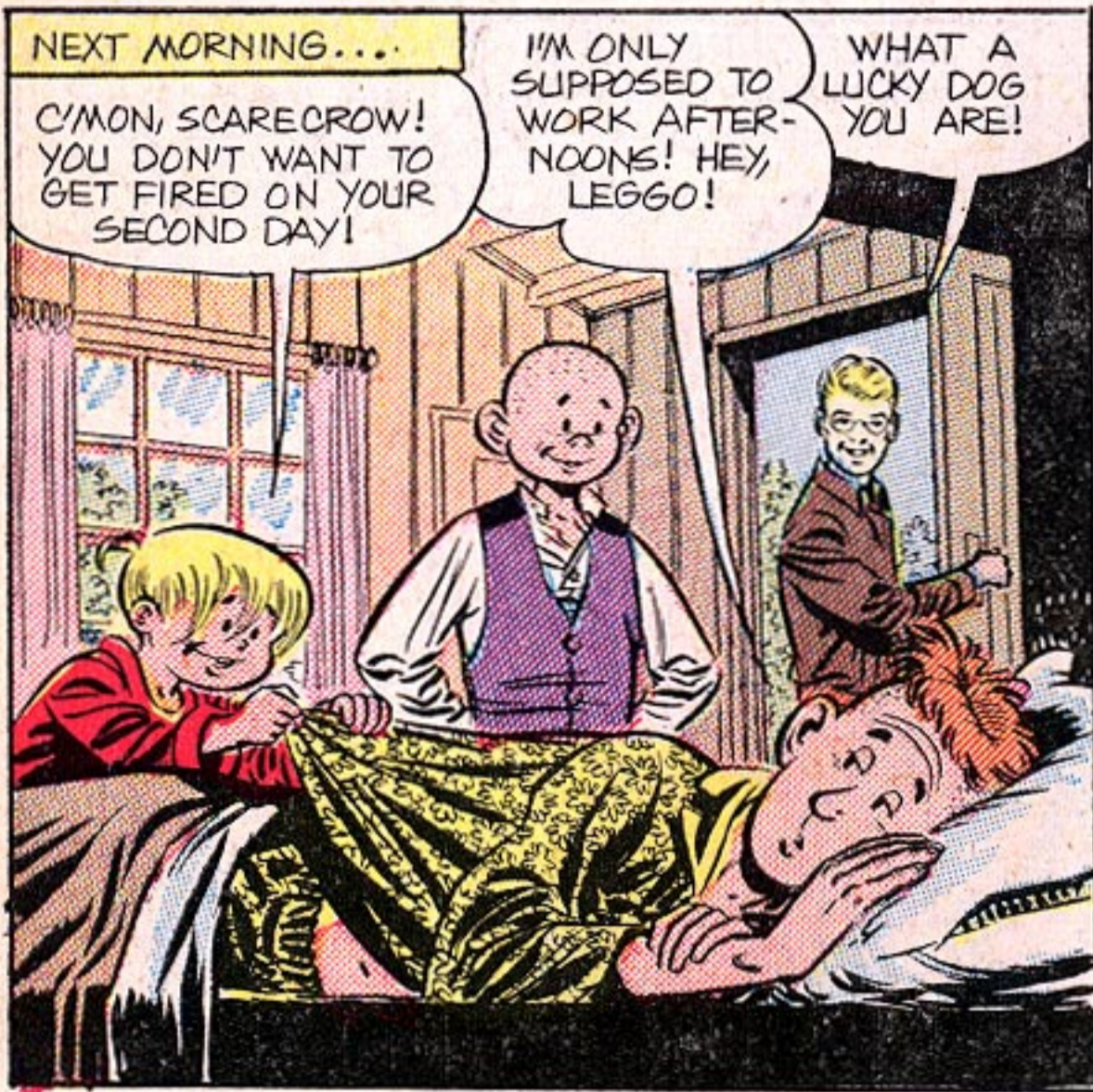
I TELL YOU IT'S SAFE! NOBODY GOT A GOOD LOOK AT ME! THAT SANTA WAS STANDING RIGHT HERE...

BUT HE'S NOT HERE NOW! SOMETIMES I WONDER WHAT YOU USE FOR BRAINS!



I SUPPOSE I'D HAVE BEEN SMARTER IF I'D KEPT THE DOUGH AND GOT CAUGHT AND GONE TO JAIL! WHY DIDN'T YOU TAKE THE BOX IF YOU'RE SO SMART?

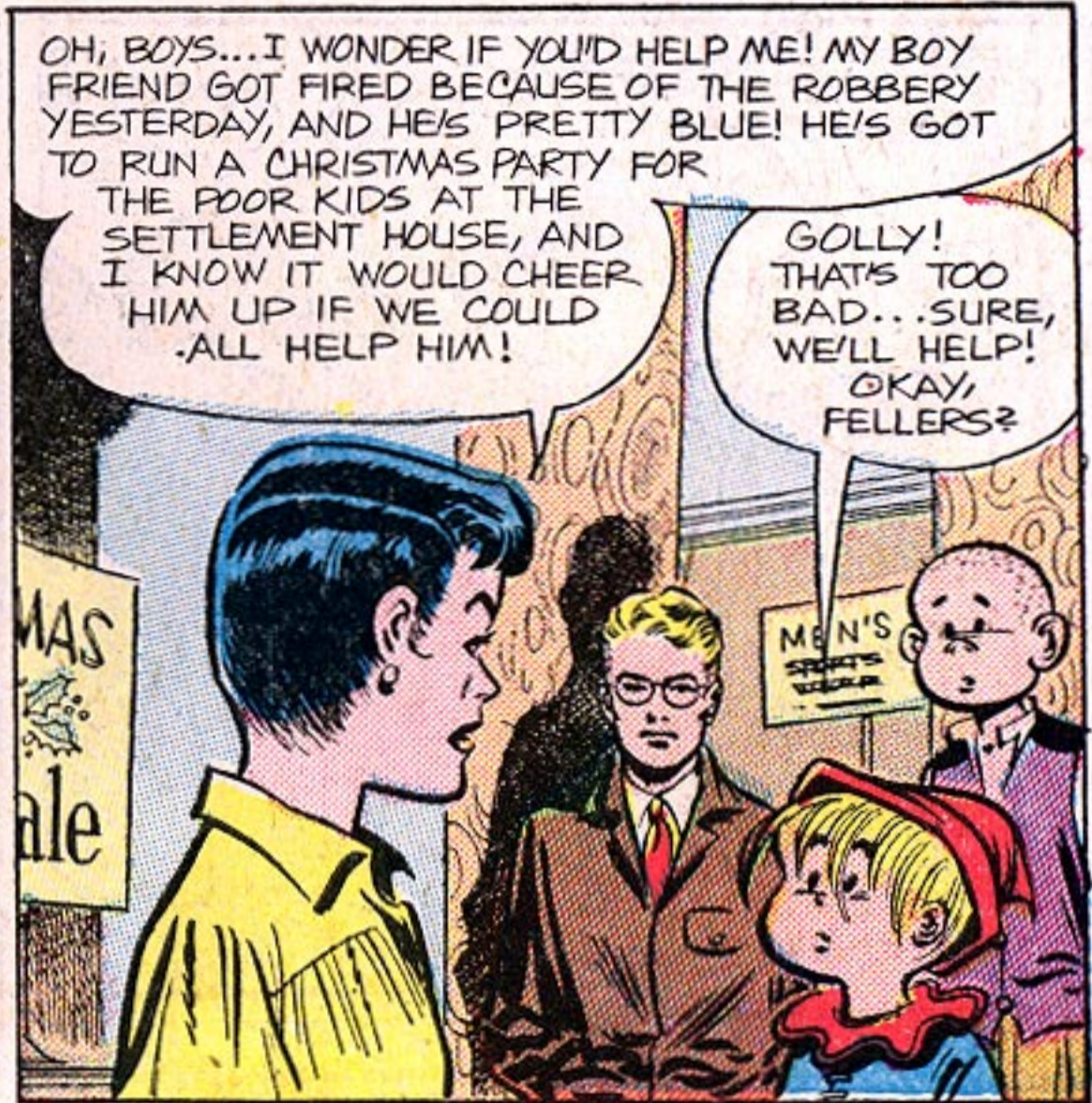
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT! IT WON'T DO ANY GOOD TO FIGHT ABOUT IT! HE'LL COME 'BACK TOMORROW... WE MAY SEE HIM THEN!



NEXT MORNING...  
C'MON, SCARECROW!  
YOU DON'T WANT TO  
GET FIRED ON YOUR  
SECOND DAY!

I'M ONLY  
SUPPOSED TO  
WORK AFTER-  
NOONS! HEY,  
LEGGO!

WHAT A  
LUCKY DOG  
YOU ARE!



OH, BOYS... I WONDER IF YOU'D HELP ME! MY BOY  
FRIEND GOT FIRED BECAUSE OF THE ROBBERY  
YESTERDAY, AND HE'S PRETTY BLUE! HE'S GOT  
TO RUN A CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR  
THE POOR KIDS AT THE  
SETTLEMENT HOUSE, AND  
I KNOW IT WOULD CHEER  
HIM UP IF WE COULD  
ALL HELP HIM!

GOLLY!  
THAT'S TOO  
BAD... SURE,  
WE'LL HELP!  
OKAY,  
FELLERS?



YOU BET!  
BUT CAN  
WE GET  
OFF  
WORK?

THE CHRISTMAS  
PARTY'S  
SET FOR  
NOON, SO  
WE CAN GO  
OVER DURING  
OUR LUNCH  
HOUR!

WE'VE EVEN  
GOT A PAL  
WHO CAN BE  
SANTA CLAUS!  
I'LL CALL HIM  
AND TELL  
HIM TO MEET  
US OVER  
THERE!



THAT NOON...

IT LOOKS  
PRETTY SAD,  
DOESN'T IT? I  
SEEM TO BE  
MESSING UP  
EVERYTHING!

OH, JIMMY, IT'S  
WONDERFUL!  
CONSIDERING  
THAT YOU HAD SO  
LITTLE MONEY,  
YOU'VE DONE  
A MARVELOUS  
JOB!



WELL, I  
GUESS IT'S  
NOT GOING TO  
LOOK ANY  
BETTER... YOU  
MIGHT AS WELL  
LET THE KIDS  
IN!

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS,  
CHILDREN!

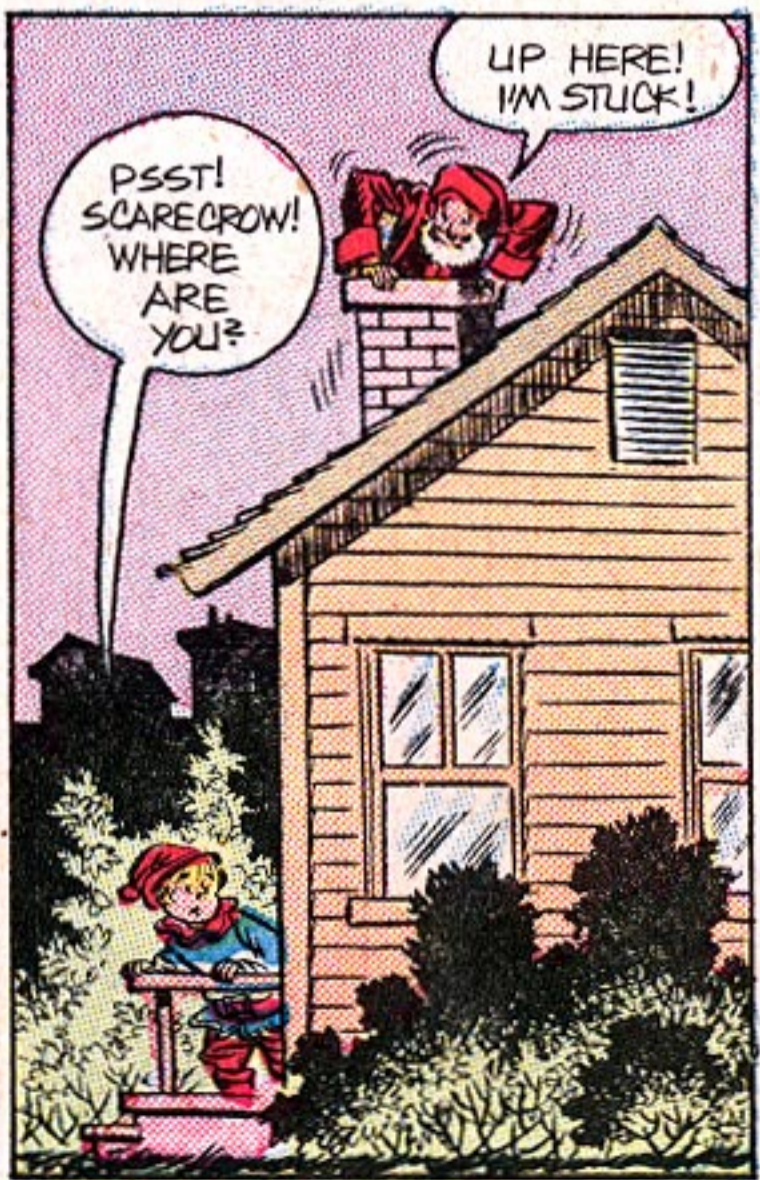
WHERE'S  
SANTY  
CLAUS?  
WE  
WANT  
SANTY!



NOW DON'T YOU GET  
IMPATIENT! SANTA  
WILL BE HERE IN A  
FEW MINUTES! HE  
HAS TO SEE A LOT  
OF CHILDREN TODAY!

WHERE IS  
YOUR SANTA?

HE WAS  
OUTSIDE  
A MINUTE  
AGO! I'LL  
TAKE A  
LOOK!



PSST!  
SCARECROW!  
WHERE  
ARE  
YOU?

UP HERE!  
I'M STUCK!



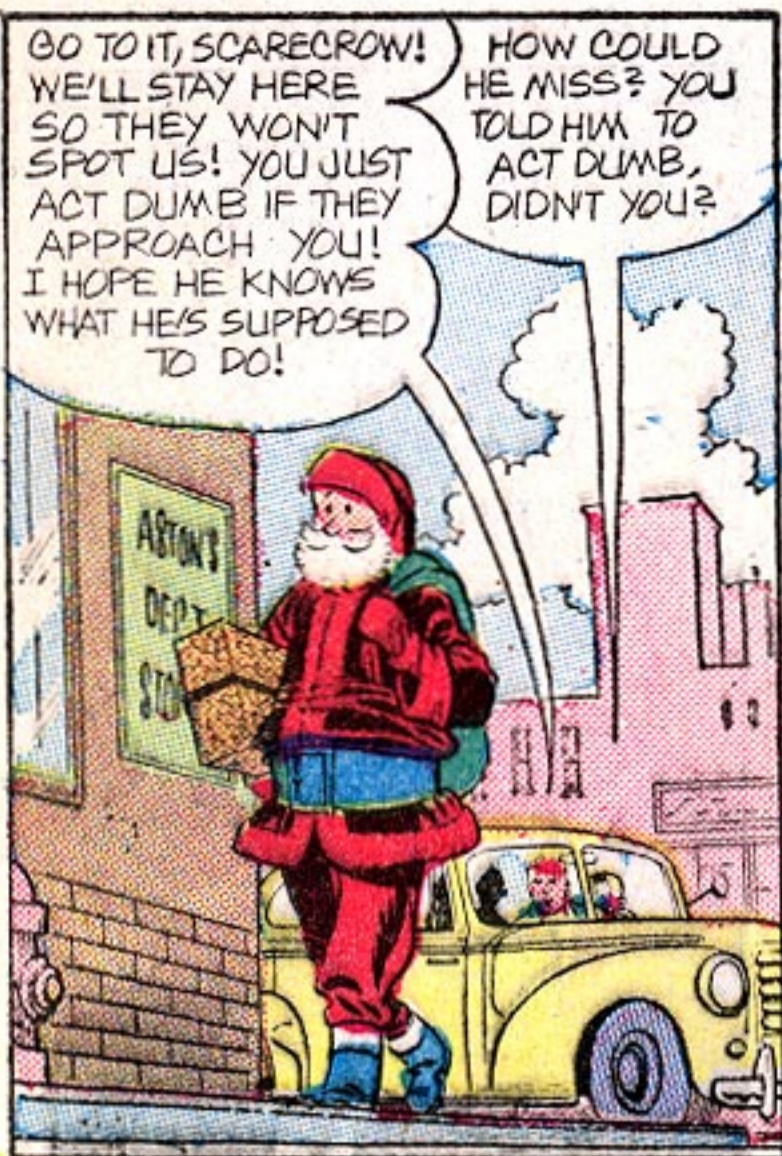
OF ALL THE... FOR  
PETE SAKE! YOU  
WOULD TRY AND  
COME DOWN THE  
CHIMNEY! TRY  
PULLING THE  
PILLOWS  
OUT!

OH, YEAH! THAT'S  
A GOOD IDEA!  
I'LL JUST...

WHOOOSS!







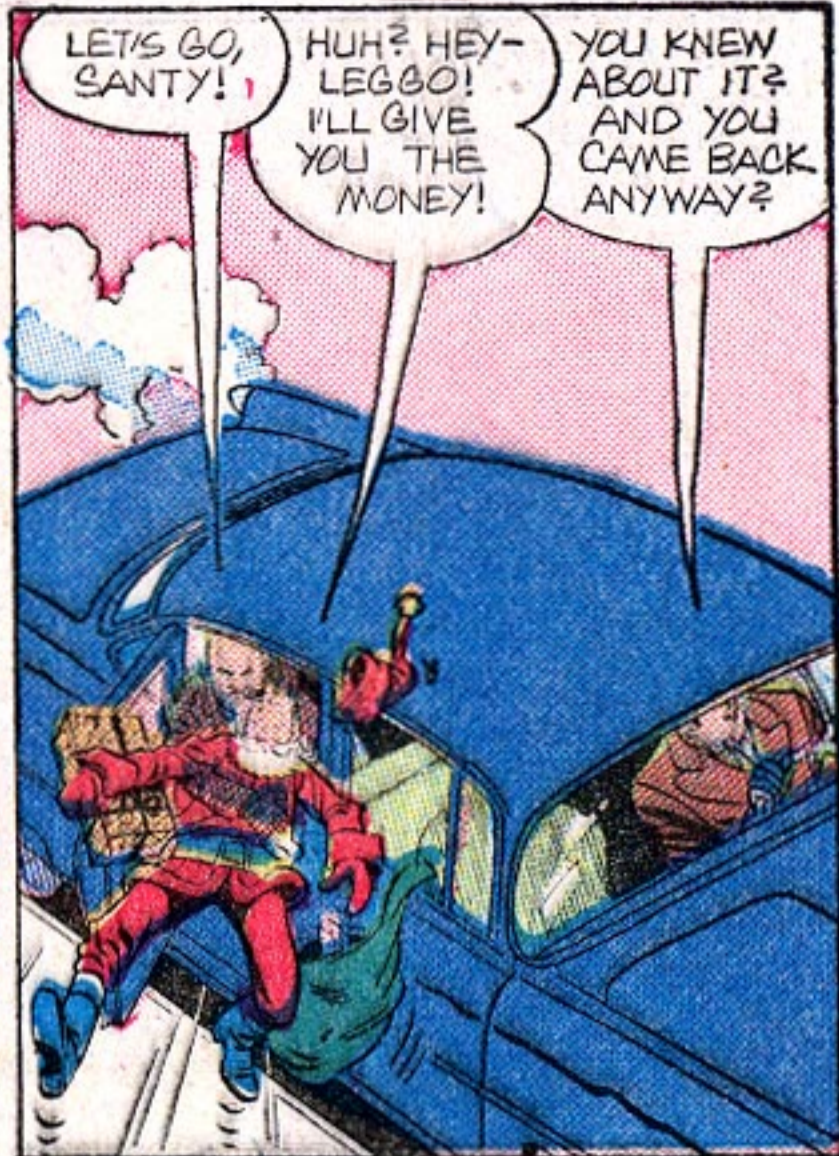
GO TO IT, SCARECROW! WE'LL STAY HERE SO THEY WON'T SPOT US! YOU JUST ACT DUMB IF THEY APPROACH YOU! I HOPE HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S SUPPOSED TO DO!

HOW COULD HE MISS? YOU TOLD HIM TO ACT DUMB, DIDN'T YOU?



THERE! THAT'S THE ONE!

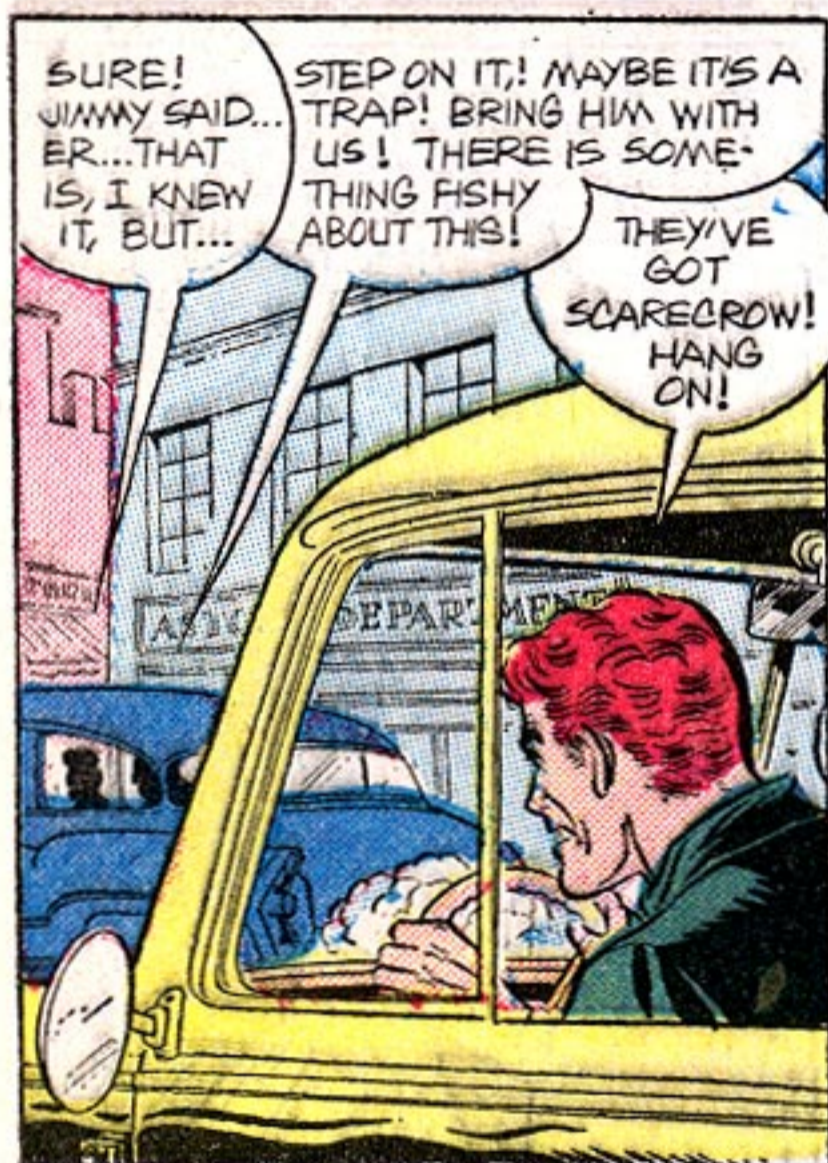
DON'T ASK QUESTIONS! JUST GET HIM INTO THE CAR, AND I'LL DO THE REST!



LET'S GO, SANTY!

HUH? HEY-LEGGO! I'LL GIVE YOU THE MONEY!

YOU KNEW ABOUT IT? AND YOU CAME BACK ANYWAY?



SURE! JIMMY SAID... ER... THAT IS, I KNEW IT, BUT...

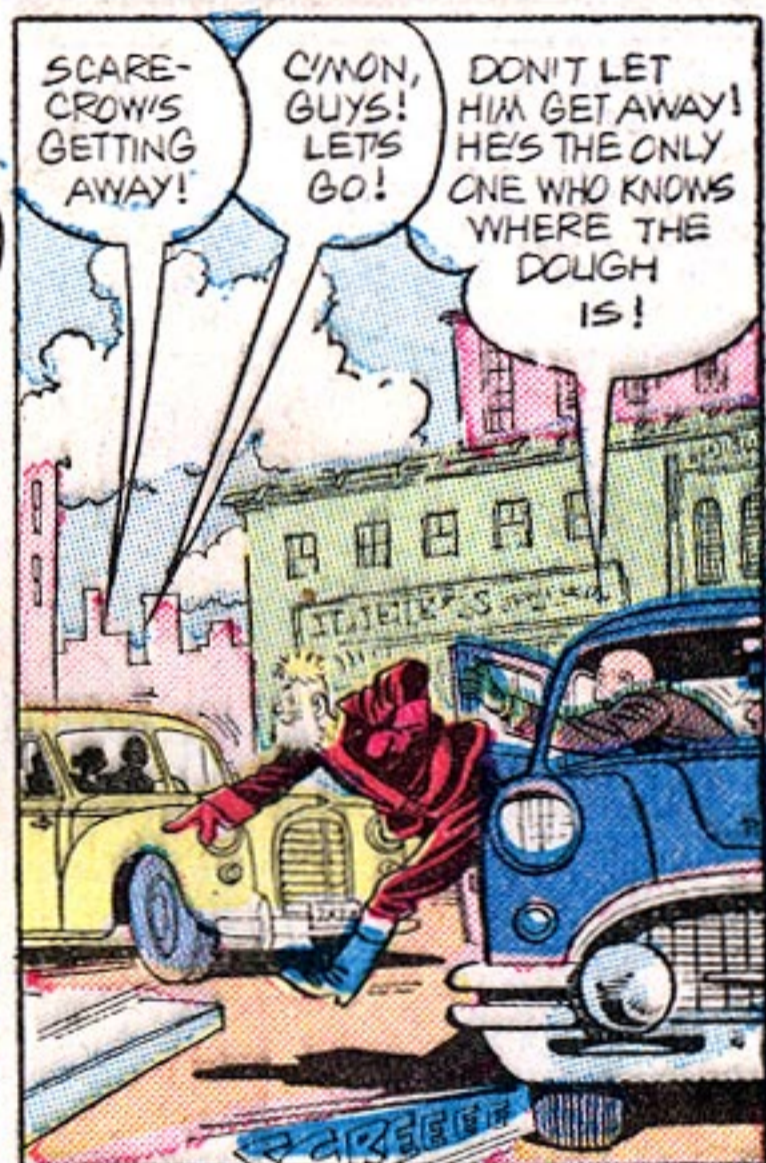
STEP ON IT! MAYBE IT'S A TRAP! BRING HIM WITH US! THERE IS SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THIS!

THEY'VE GOT SCARECROW! HANG ON!



THAT'S THE SAME BOX, ANYWAY! LET THE KID OUT!

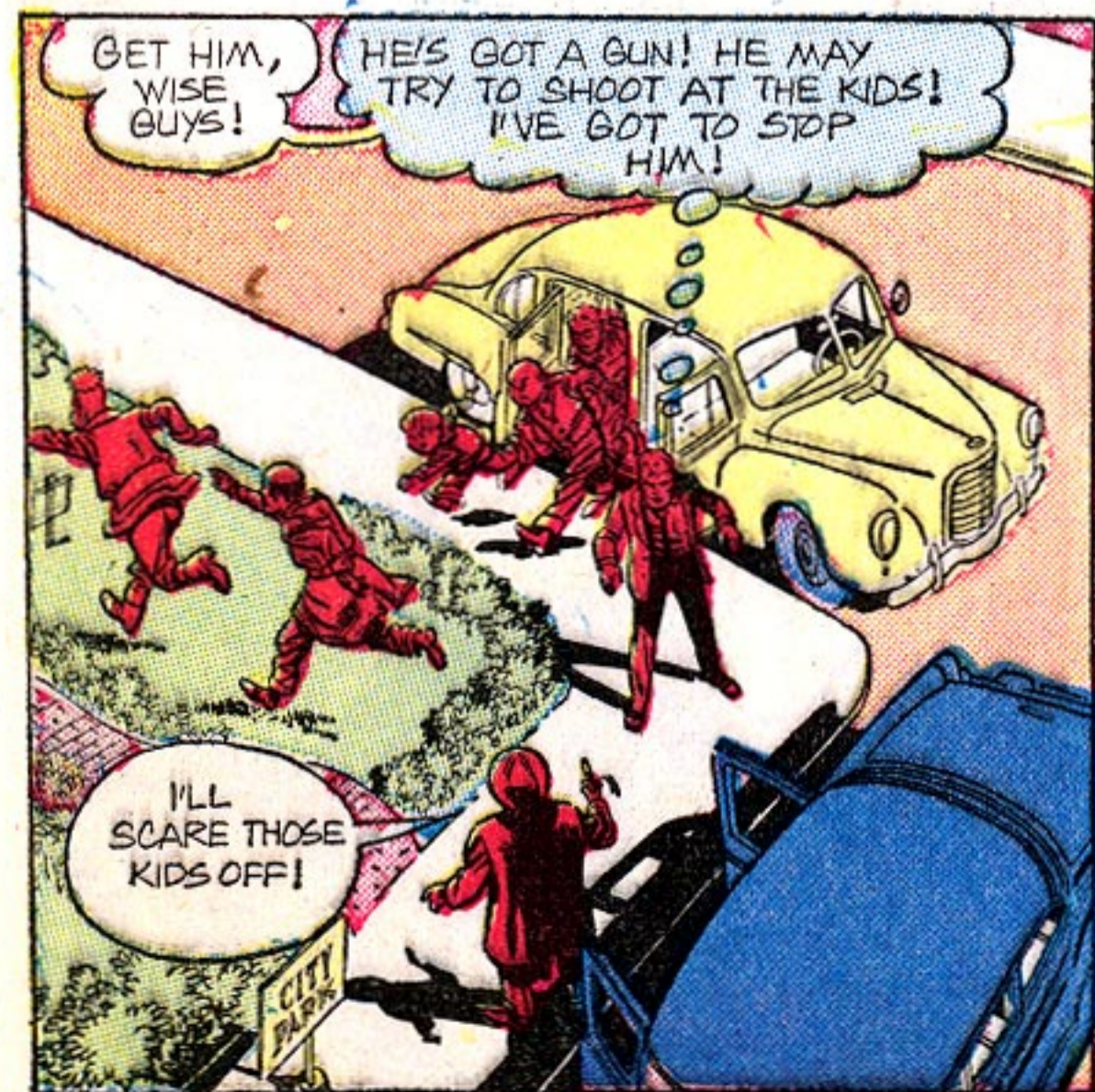
OKAY, BEAT IT, KID-WAIT! THERE'S NUTHIN' IN HERE, BUT PAPERS! WE'VE BEEN CHEATED!



SCARE-CROW'S GETTING AWAY!

C'MON, GUYS! LET'S GO!

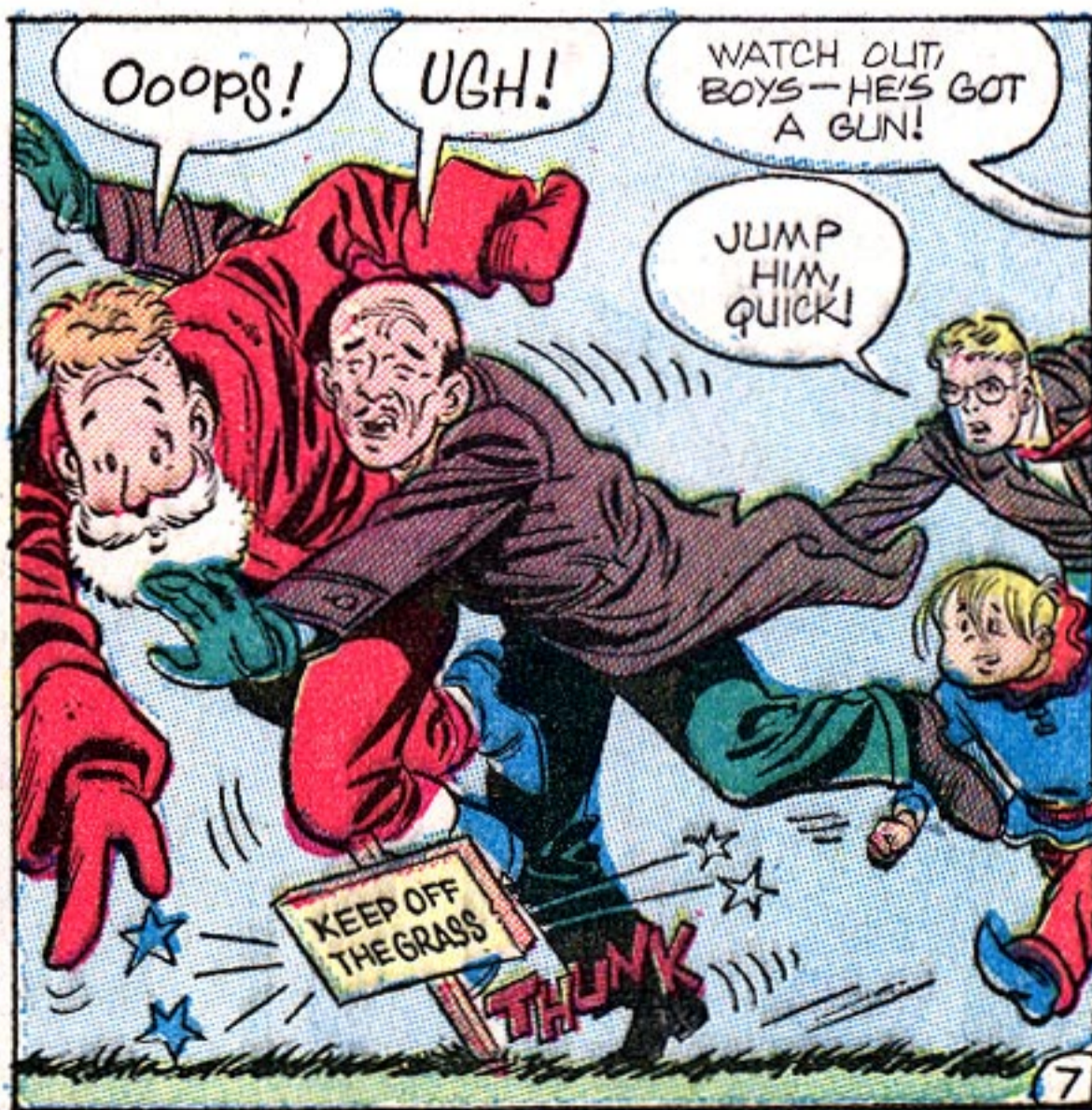
DON'T LET HIM GET AWAY! HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE THE DOUGH IS!



GET HIM, WISE GUYS!

HE'S GOT A GUN! HE MAY TRY TO SHOOT AT THE KIDS! I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!

I'LL SCARE THOSE KIDS OFF!



Ooops!

UGH!

WATCH OUT, BOYS-HE'S GOT A GUN!

JUMP HIM, QUICK!

KEEP OFF THE GRASS

THUNK



ATTABOY, JIMMY! THE GUN WON'T DO HIM ANY GOOD IF HE CAN'T USE IT!

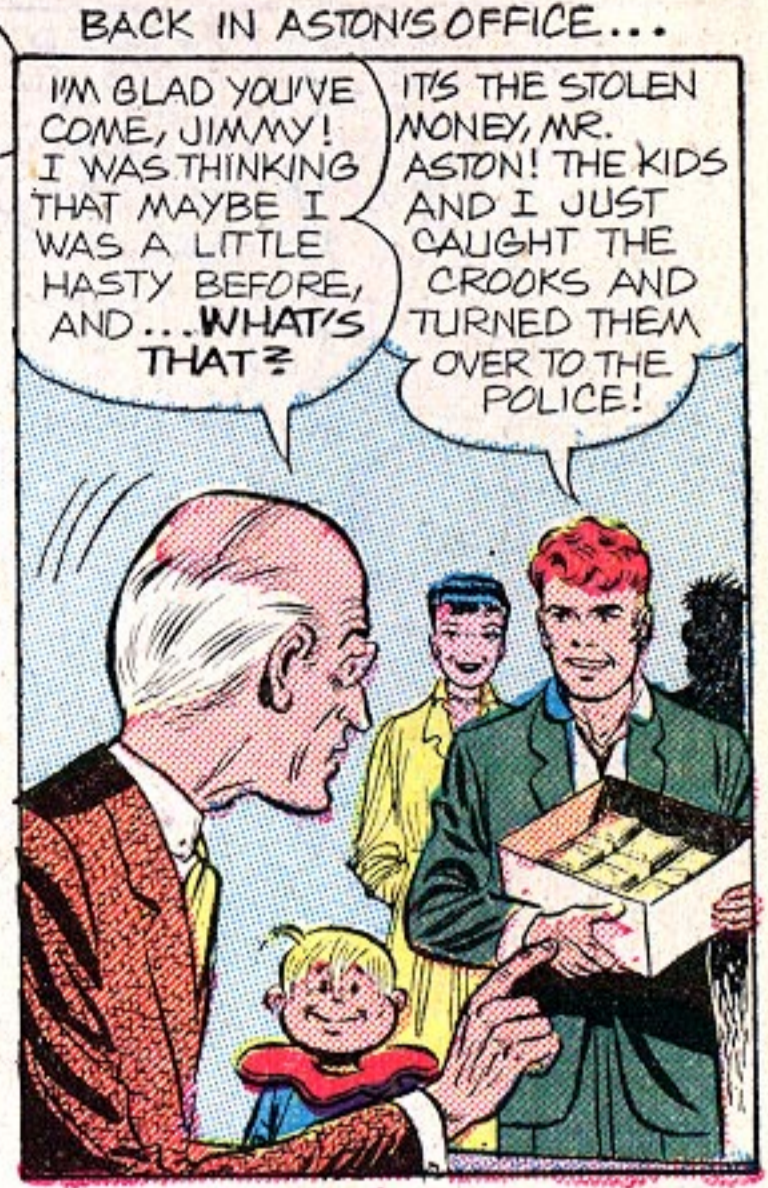
YOU COST ME MY JOB, YOU RAT!

POW



WE'VE GOT THIS ONE, JIMMY!

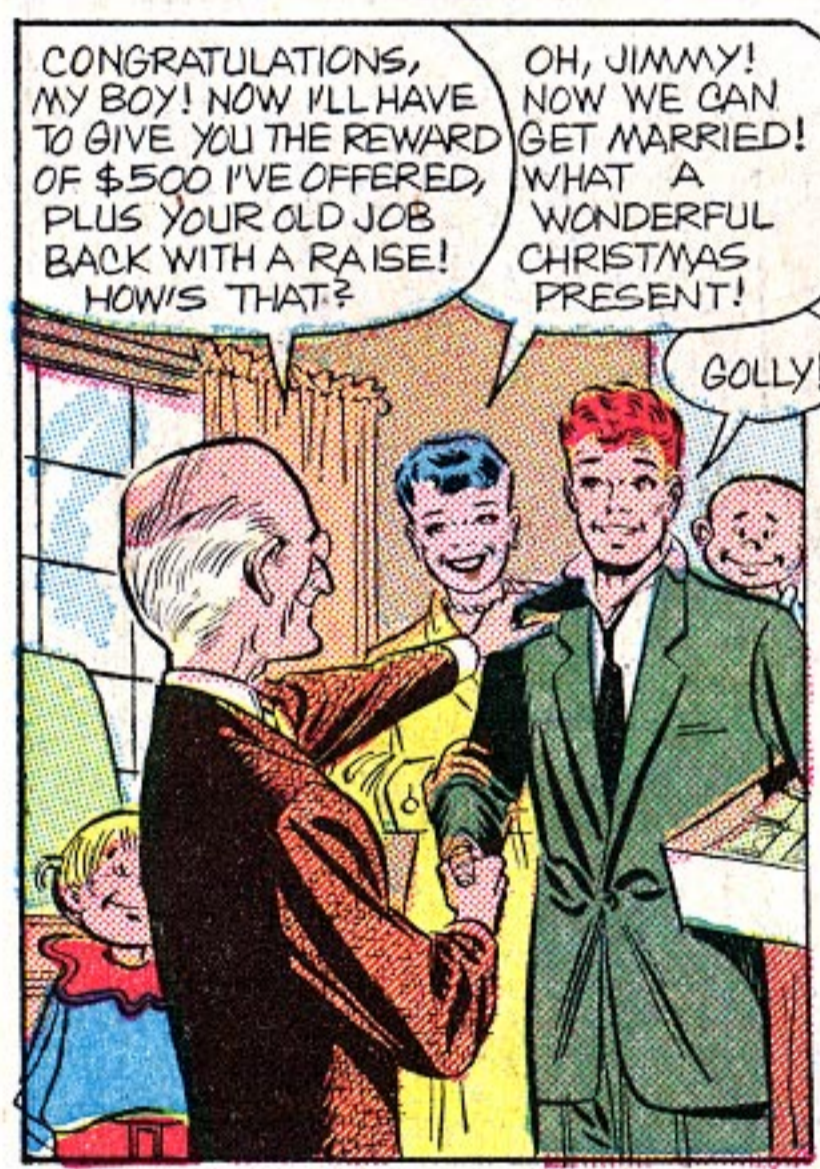
GOOD WORK, WISE GUYS! LET'S GET BACK TO THE STORE! I WANT TO SEE OLD ASTON'S FACE WHEN HE SEES HIS MONEY AGAIN!



BACK IN ASTON'S OFFICE...

I'M GLAD YOU'VE COME, JIMMY! I WAS THINKING THAT MAYBE I WAS A LITTLE HASTY BEFORE, AND...WHAT'S THAT?

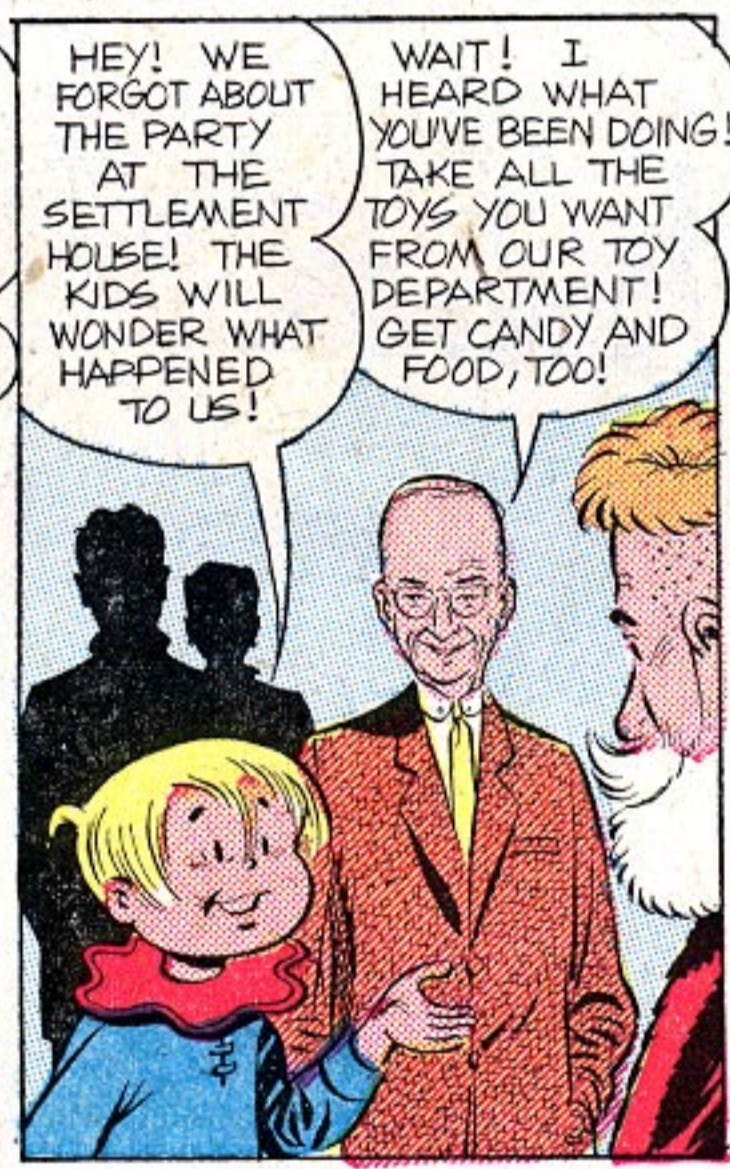
IT'S THE STOLEN MONEY, MR. ASTON! THE KIDS AND I JUST CAUGHT THE CROOKS AND TURNED THEM OVER TO THE POLICE!



CONGRATULATIONS, MY BOY! NOW I'LL HAVE TO GIVE YOU THE REWARD OF \$500 I'VE OFFERED, PLUS YOUR OLD JOB BACK WITH A RAISE! HOW'S THAT?

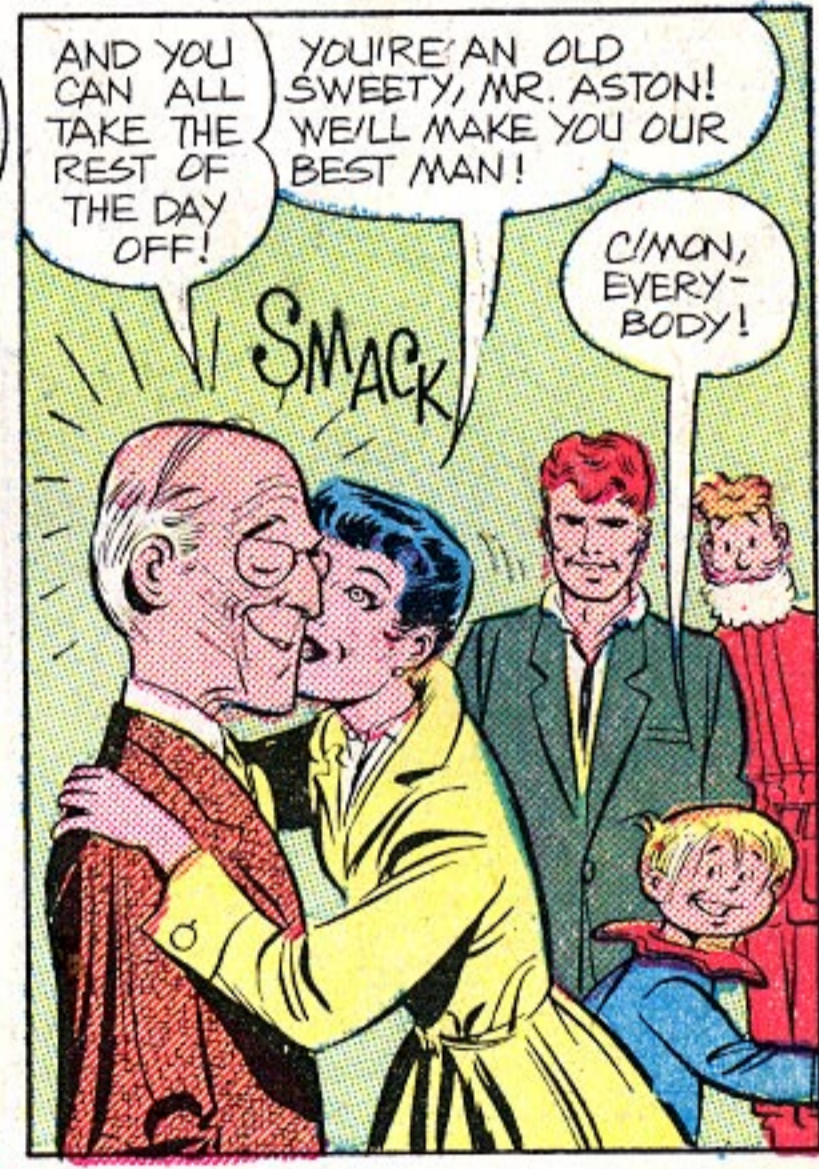
OH, JIMMY! NOW WE CAN GET MARRIED! WHAT A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENT!

GOLLY!



HEY! WE FORGOT ABOUT THE PARTY AT THE SETTLEMENT HOUSE! THE KIDS WILL WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO US!

WAIT! I HEARD WHAT YOU'VE BEEN DOING! TAKE ALL THE TOYS YOU WANT FROM OUR TOY DEPARTMENT! GET CANDY AND FOOD, TOO!

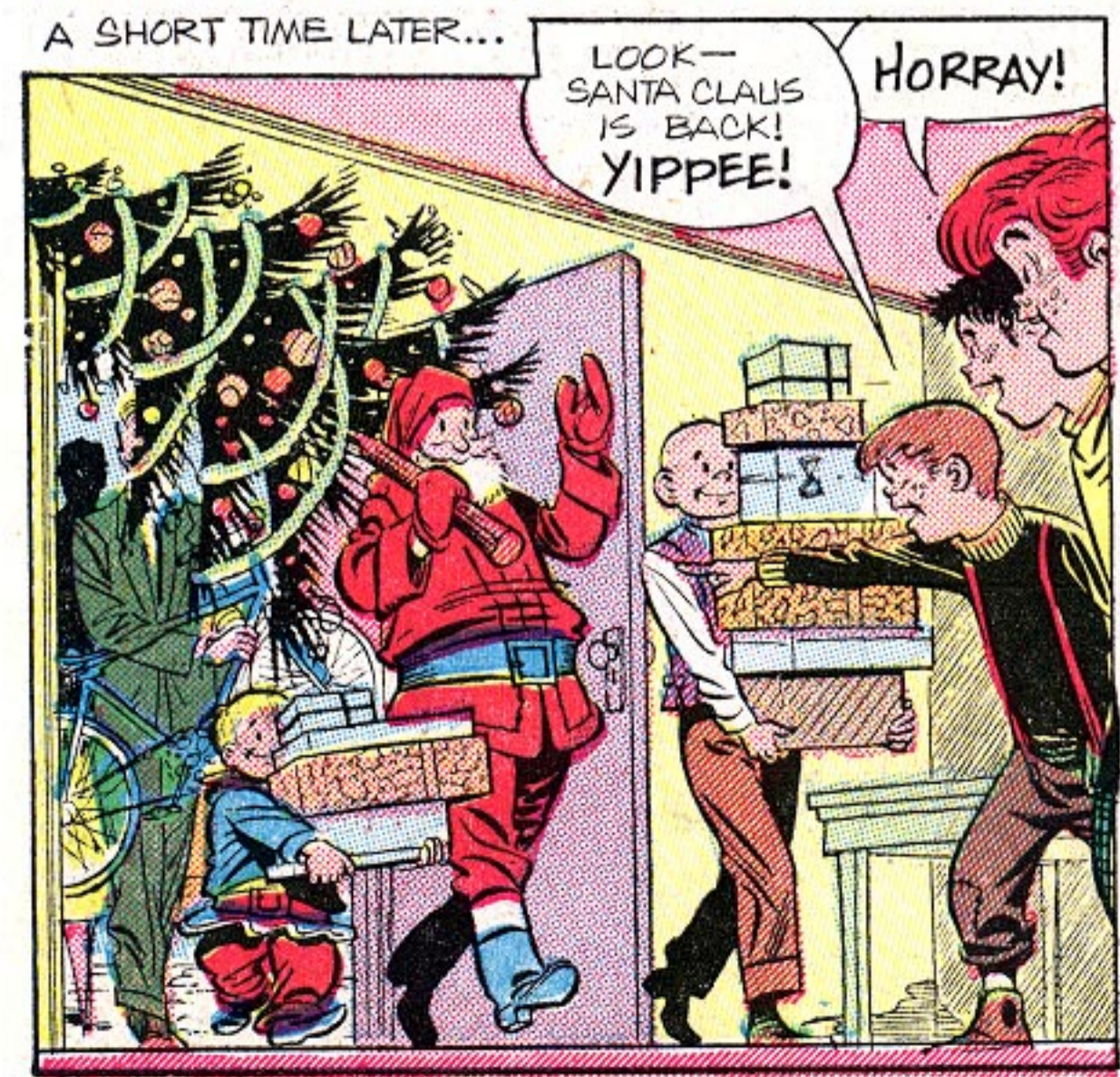


AND YOU CAN ALL TAKE THE REST OF THE DAY OFF!

YOU'RE AN OLD SWEET, MR. ASTON! WE'LL MAKE YOU OUR BEST MAN!

C'MON, EVERYBODY!

SMACK



LOOK— SANTA CLAUS IS BACK! YIPPEE!

HORRAY!



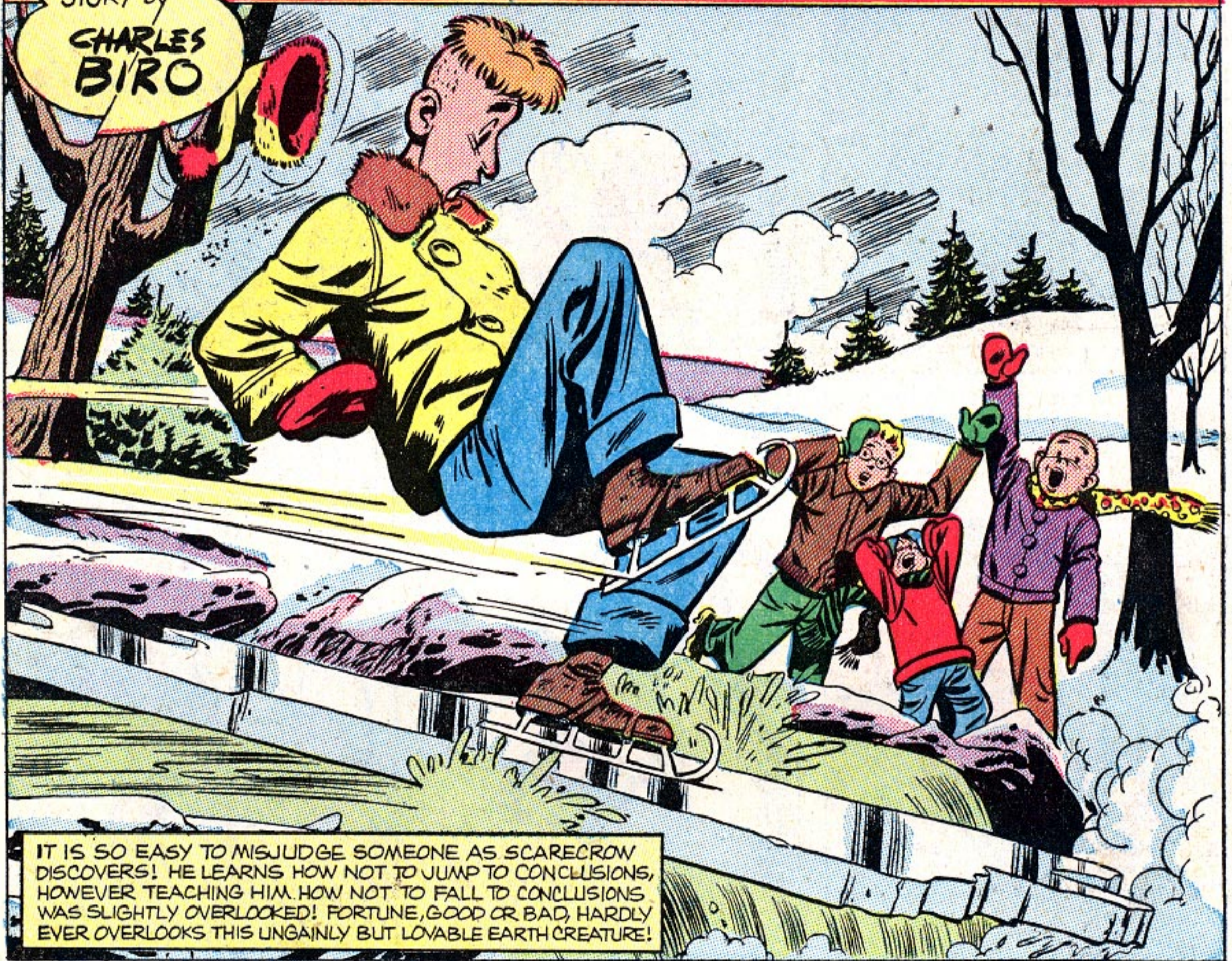
MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY!

THE END

# The LITTLE WISE GUYS

in "HE WAS A GOOD SKATE"

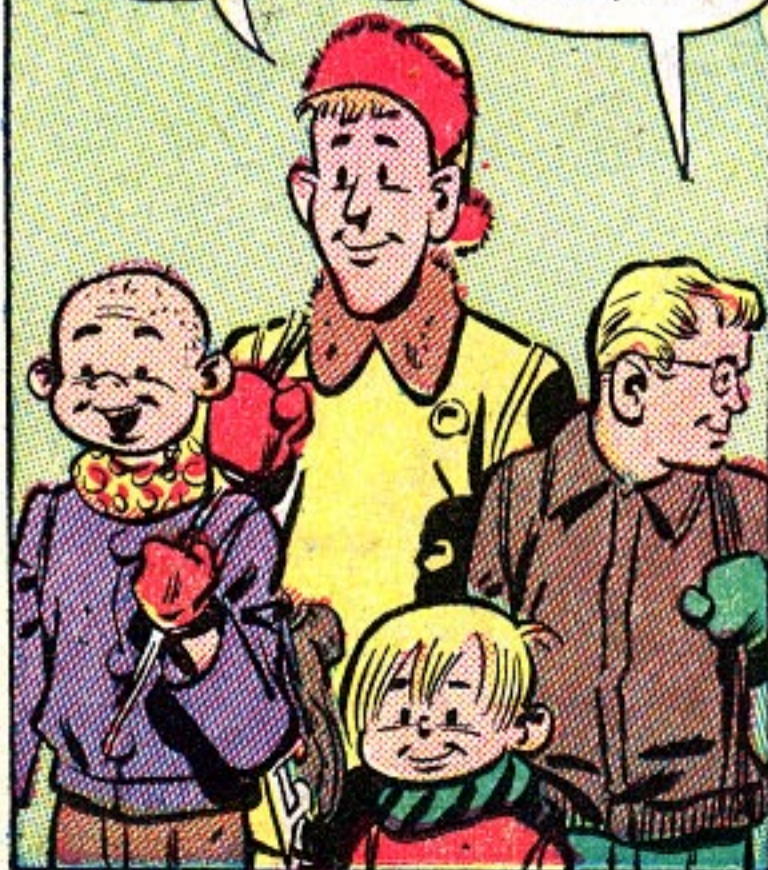
STORY by  
**CHARLES BIRO**



IT IS SO EASY TO MISJUDGE SOMEONE AS SCARECROW DISCOVERS! HE LEARNS HOW NOT TO JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS, HOWEVER TEACHING HIM HOW NOT TO FALL TO CONCLUSIONS WAS SLIGHTLY OVERLOOKED! FORTUNE, GOOD OR BAD, HARDLY EVER OVERLOOKS THIS UNGAINLY BUT LOVABLE EARTH CREATURE!

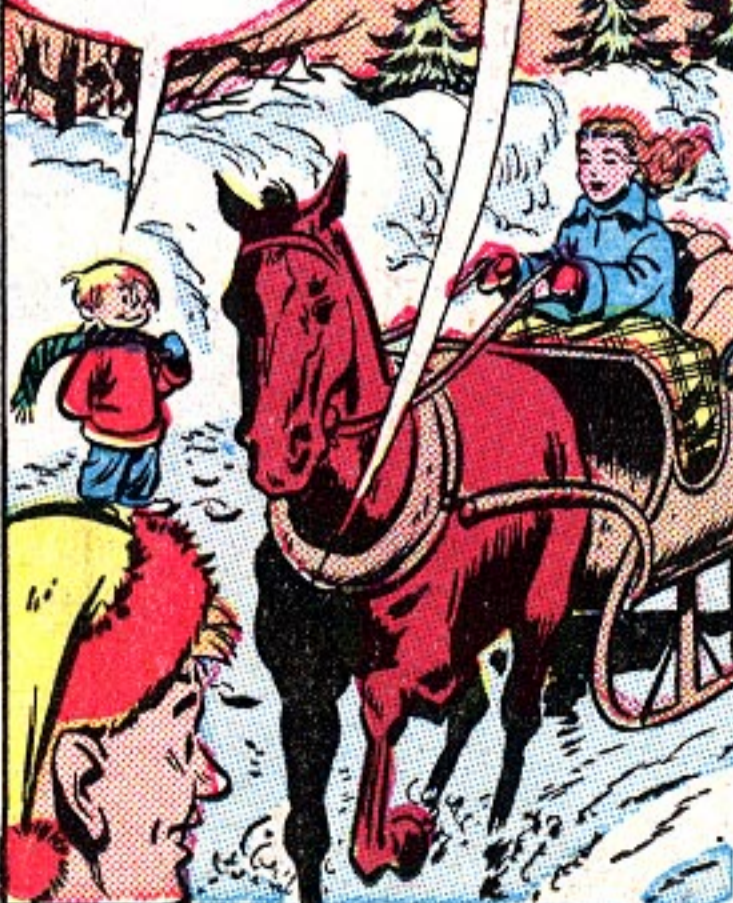
WHAT A PERFECT DAY! I'LL BET THE RIVER'S FROZEN A FOOT THICK!

THE MAIN STREAM NEVER FREEZES OVER, BUT THAT HARBOR BY THE OLD YACHT BASE SHOULD BE SOLID... HEY! LOOK - A SLEIGH!



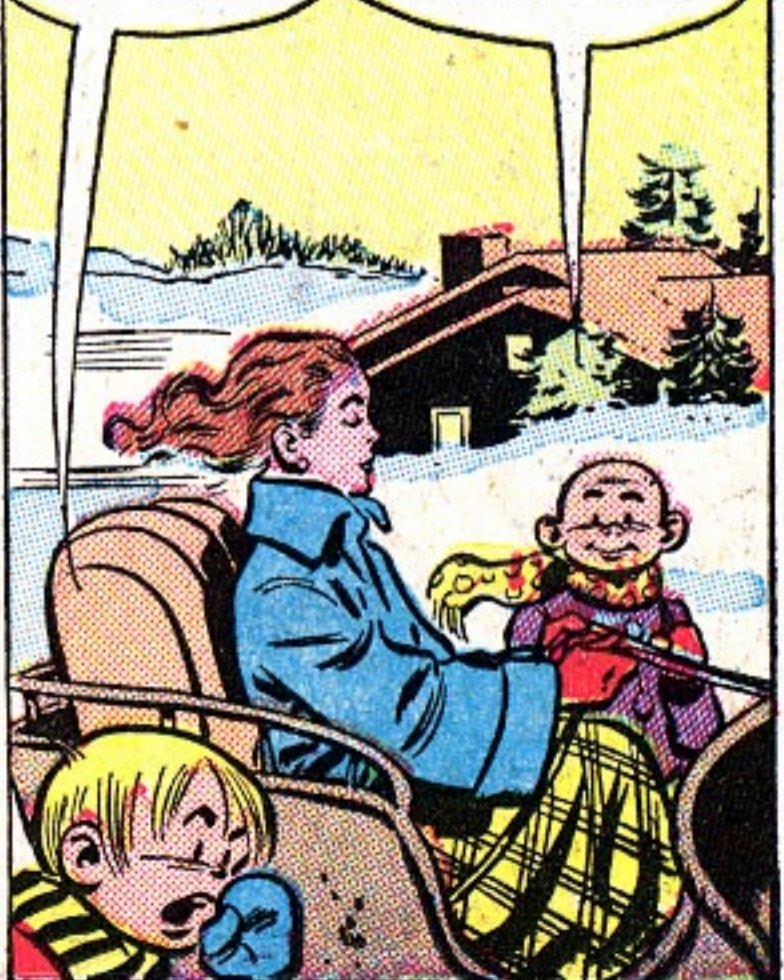
AAH! IT'S THAT SNOOTY ALICE VAN VOORHEES! THAT STUCK-UP DAME GIVES ME A PAIN!

GEE, SHE SURE IS PRETTY! MAYBE SHE'LL GIVE ME A RIDE!



WATCH OUT, YOU DOPE! DO YOU WANT TO GET RUN OVER?

SHE MAY BE PRETTY, BUT HER HEART'S AS HARD AND COLD AS ICE!





MAYBE SHE DIDN'T SEE ME...

SURE! C'MON, ROMEO, BRING THOSE MISERABLE MONTROSITIES YOU CALL ICE SKATES, AND LET'S GO!



DID YOU GET THOSE SKATES IN A BOX OF CORN FLAKES, SCARECROW?

NO! HIS GREAT-GREAT-GRAND FATHER LEFT 'EM TO HIM IN HIS WILL!

AWW... QUIT KIDDING! THEY'RE OKAY!



IT'S REALLY SOLID... MUST BE OVER FOUR INCHES THICK!

ALMOST AS THICK AS SCARECROW'S SKULL!

WATCH ME, FELLAS!



LOOK I'M A SAILBOAT!

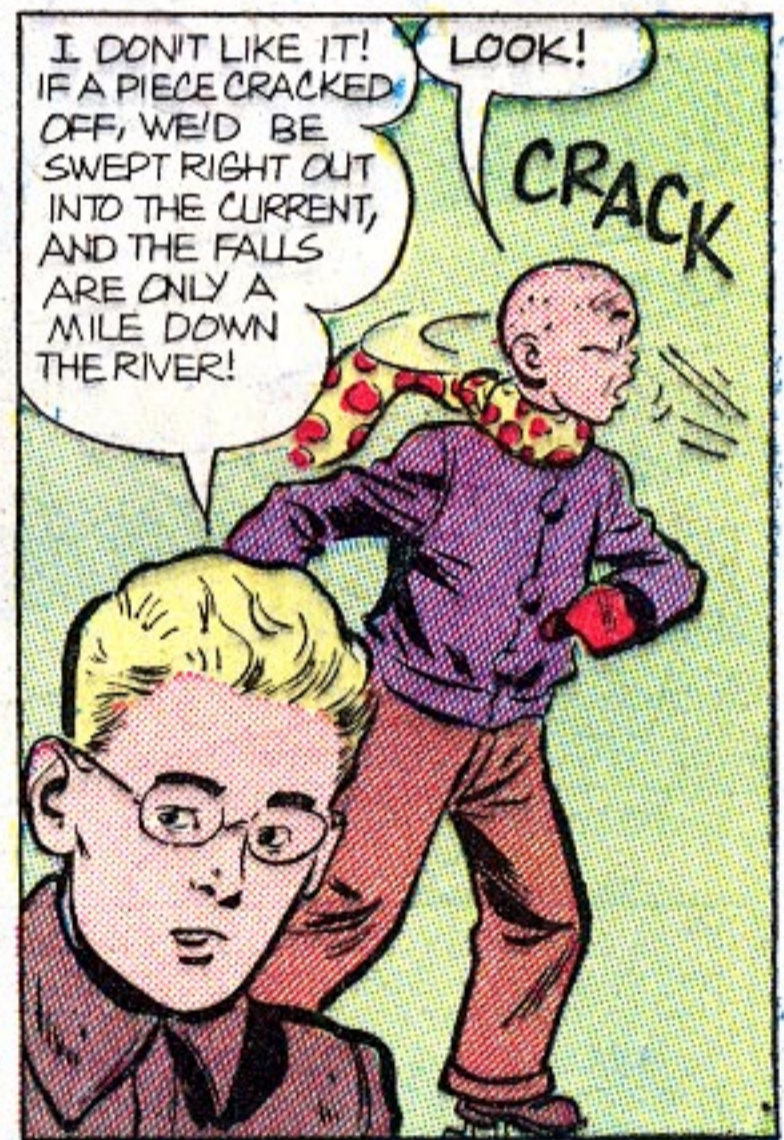
YOU LOOK MORE LIKE A DINKY DINGY!



THE ICE IS CRACKING! IT MUST BE THINNER OUT HERE!

DON'T WORRY, IT MAKES NOISES LIKE THAT ALL THE TIME!

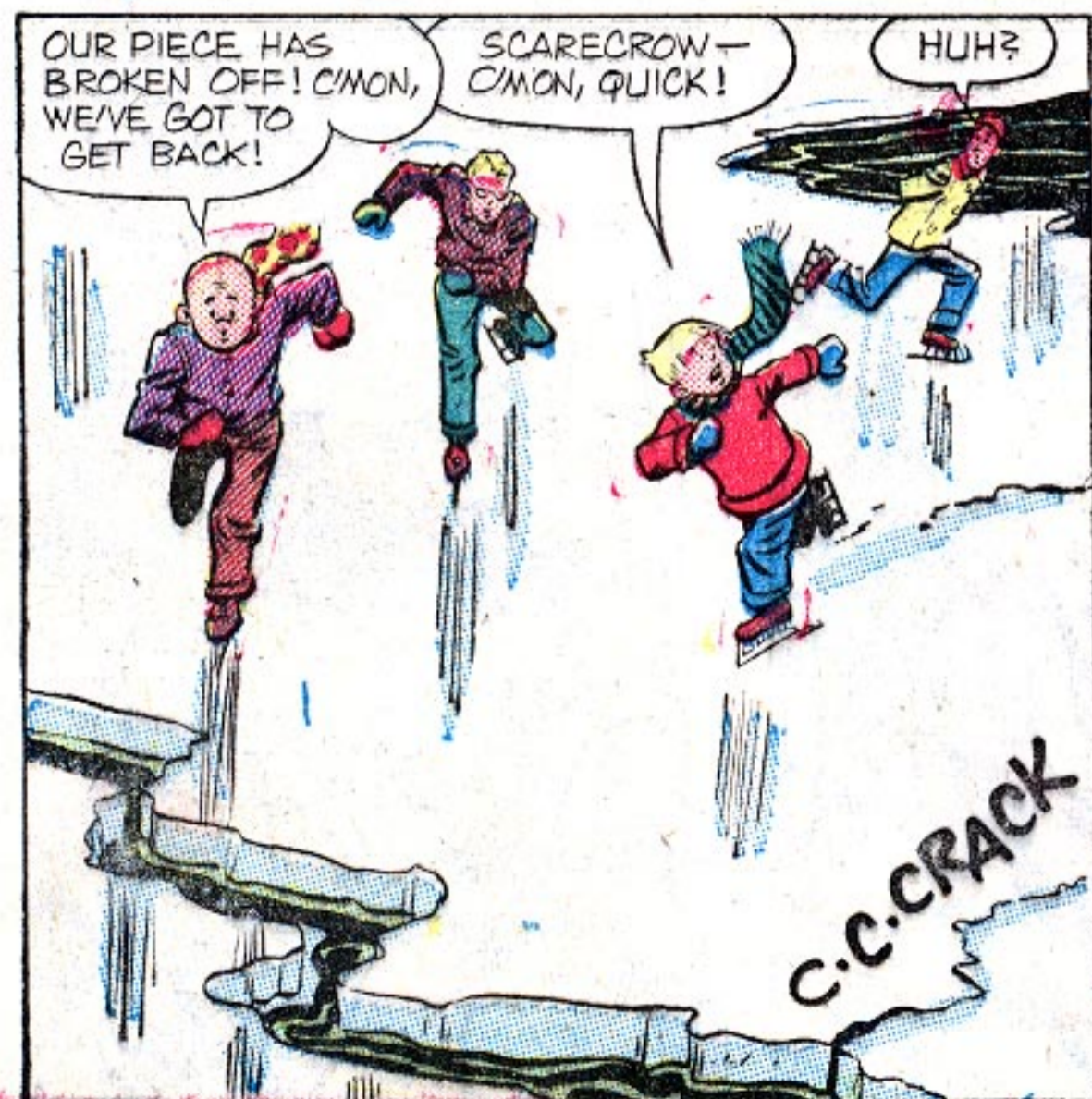
CRACK!



I DON'T LIKE IT! IF A PIECE CRACKED OFF, WE'D BE SWEEPED RIGHT OUT INTO THE CURRENT, AND THE FALLS ARE ONLY A MILE DOWN THE RIVER!

LOOK!

CRACK

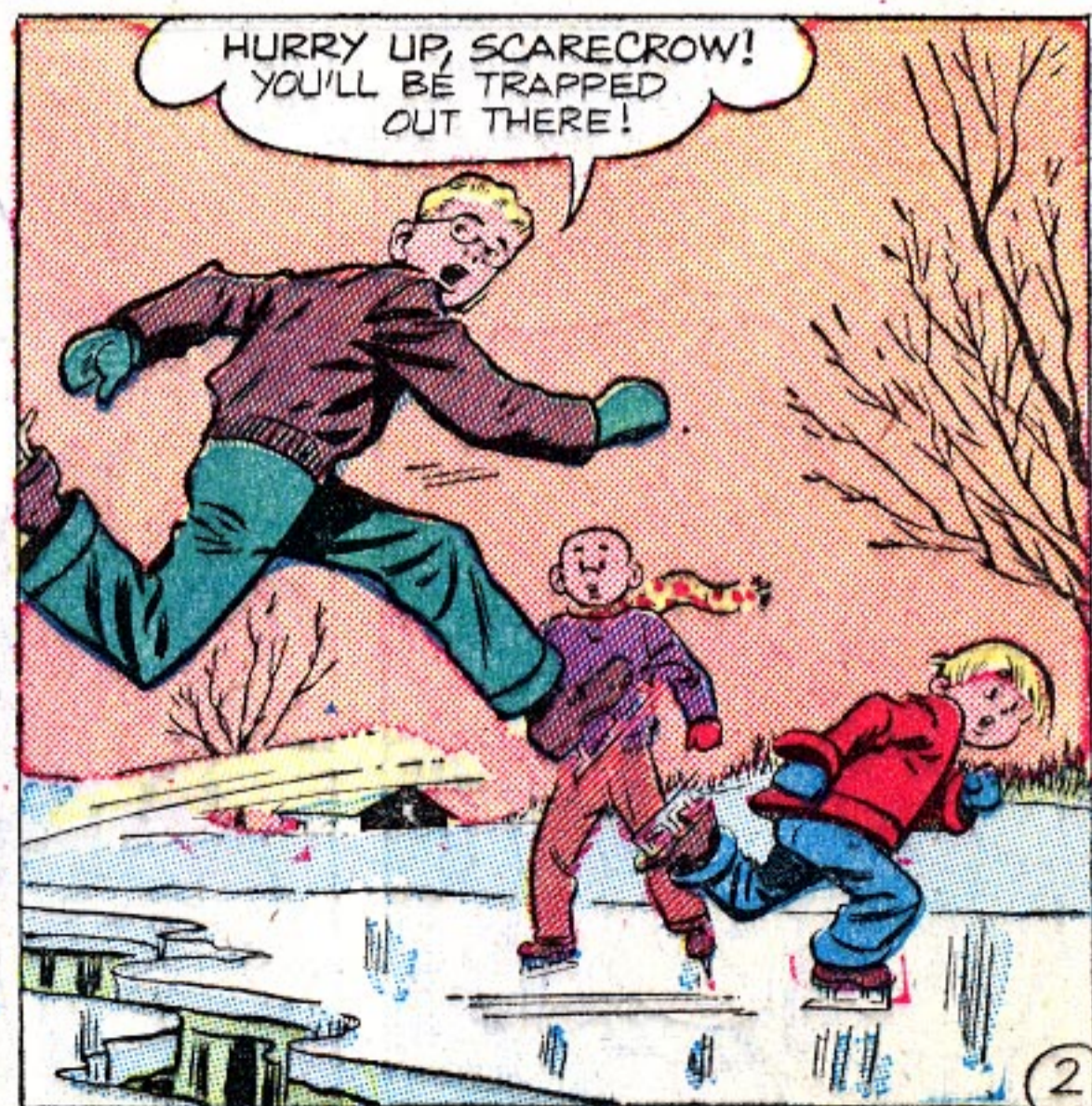


OUR PIECE HAS BROKEN OFF! C'MON, WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK!

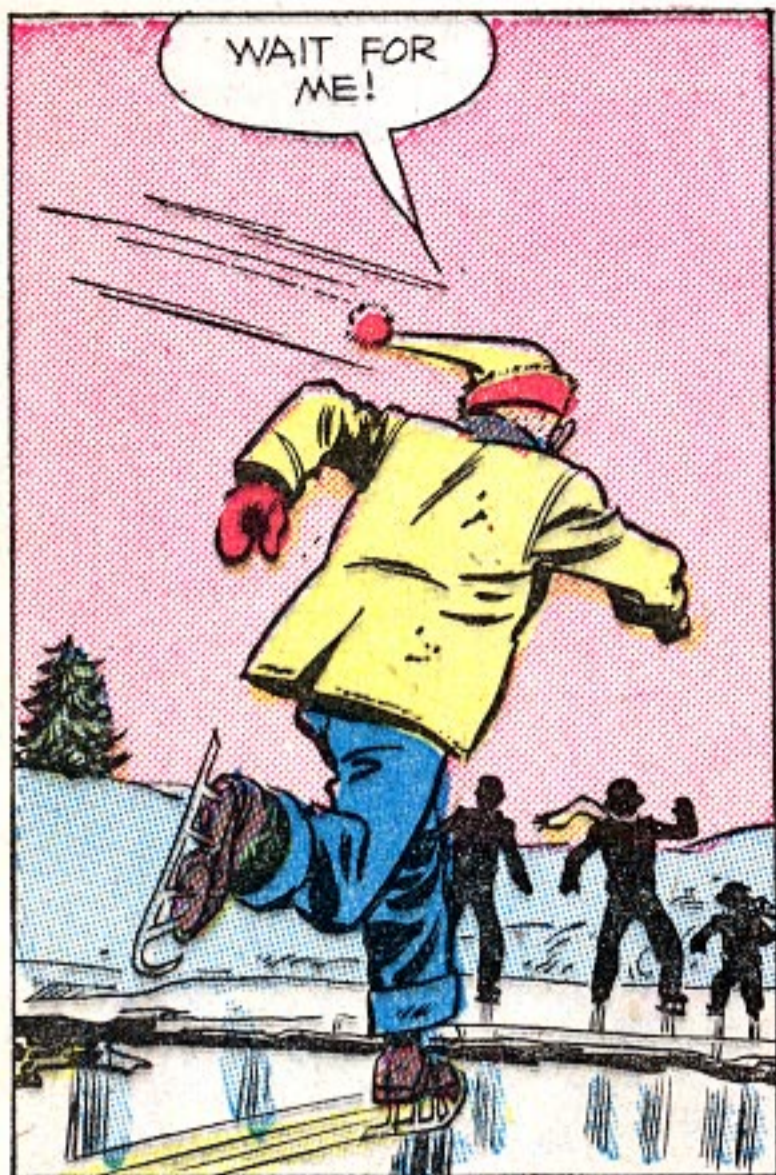
SCARECROW— C'MON, QUICK!

HUH?

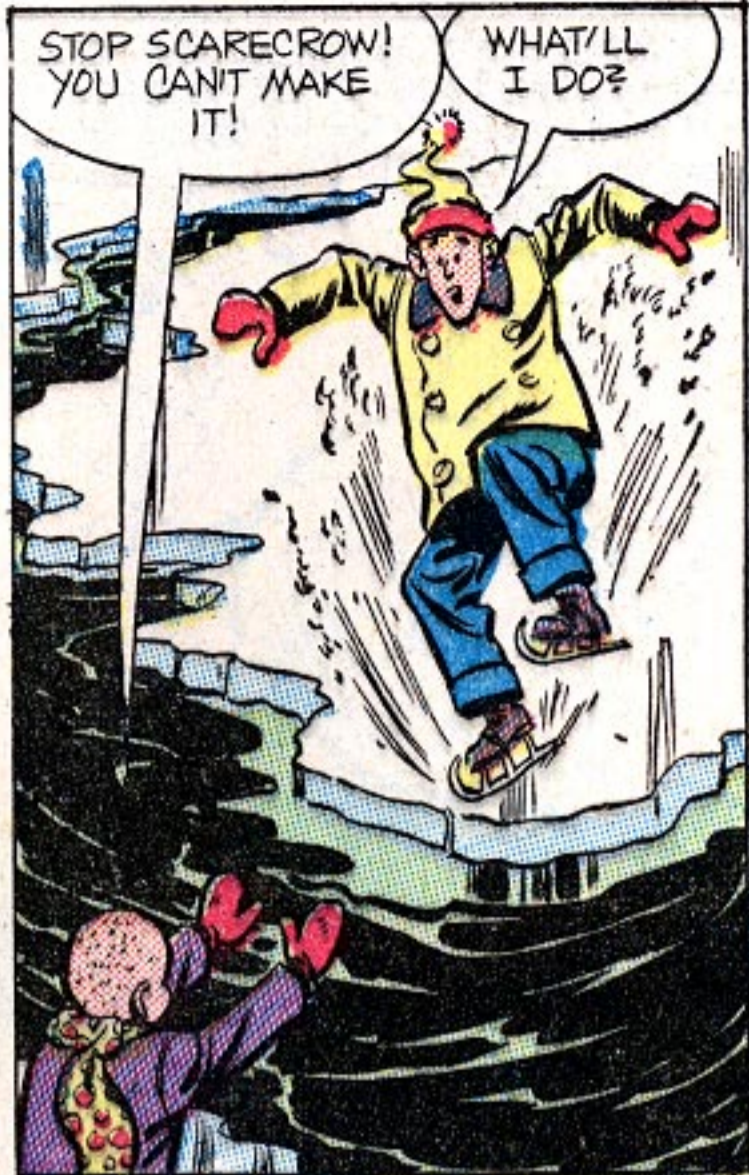
C.C. CRACK



HURRY UP, SCARECROW! YOU'LL BE TRAPPED OUT THERE!



WAIT FOR ME!



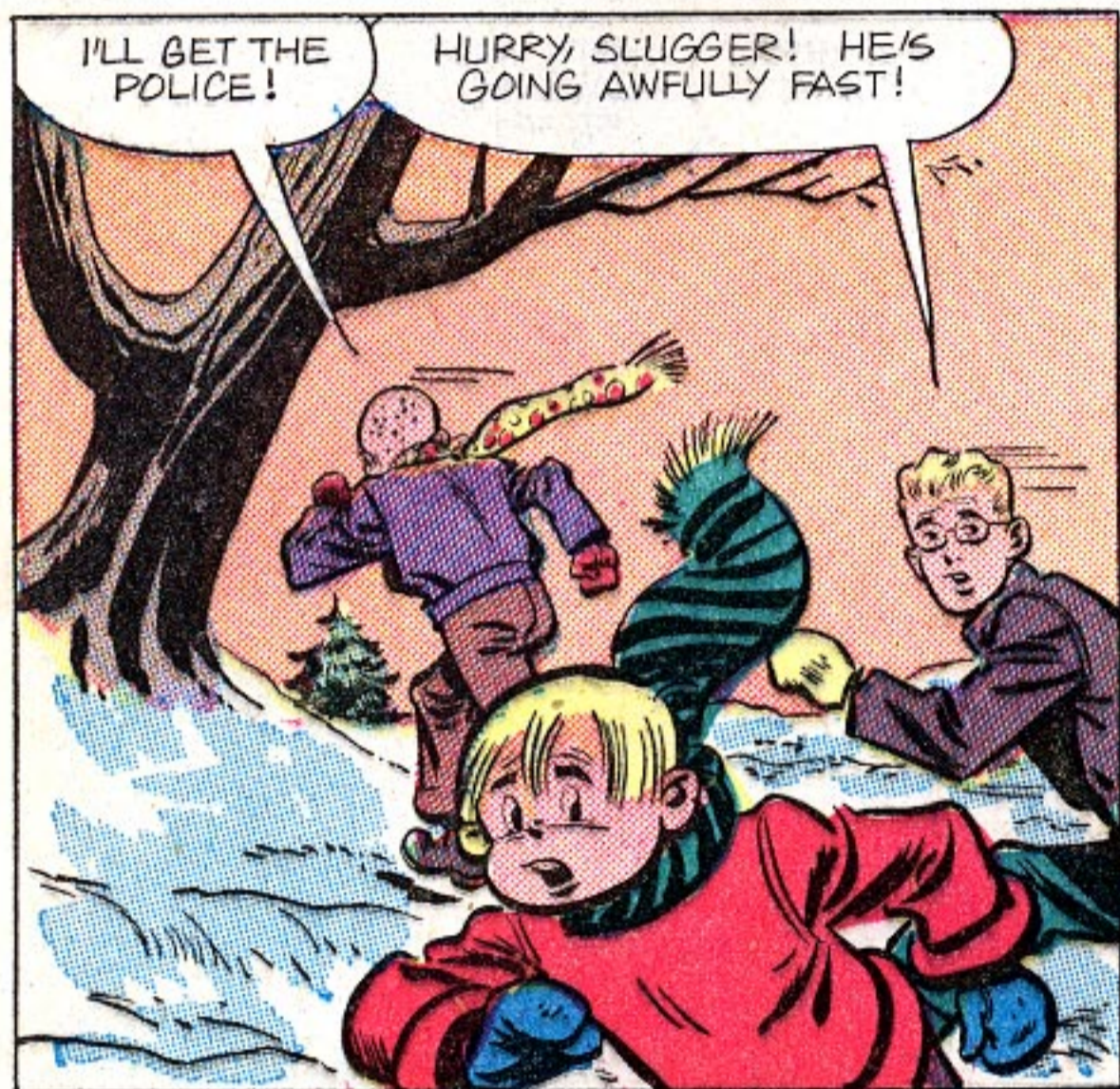
STOP SCARECROW! YOU CAN'T MAKE IT!

WHAT'LL I DO?



STAY RIGHT THERE! YOU COULDN'T LIVE TEN SECONDS IN THAT WATER! WE'LL GET HELP!

C'MON, FELLAS! THE RIVER GETS NARROW JUST BEFORE THE FALLS! MAYBE WE CAN PULL HIM OUT THERE!

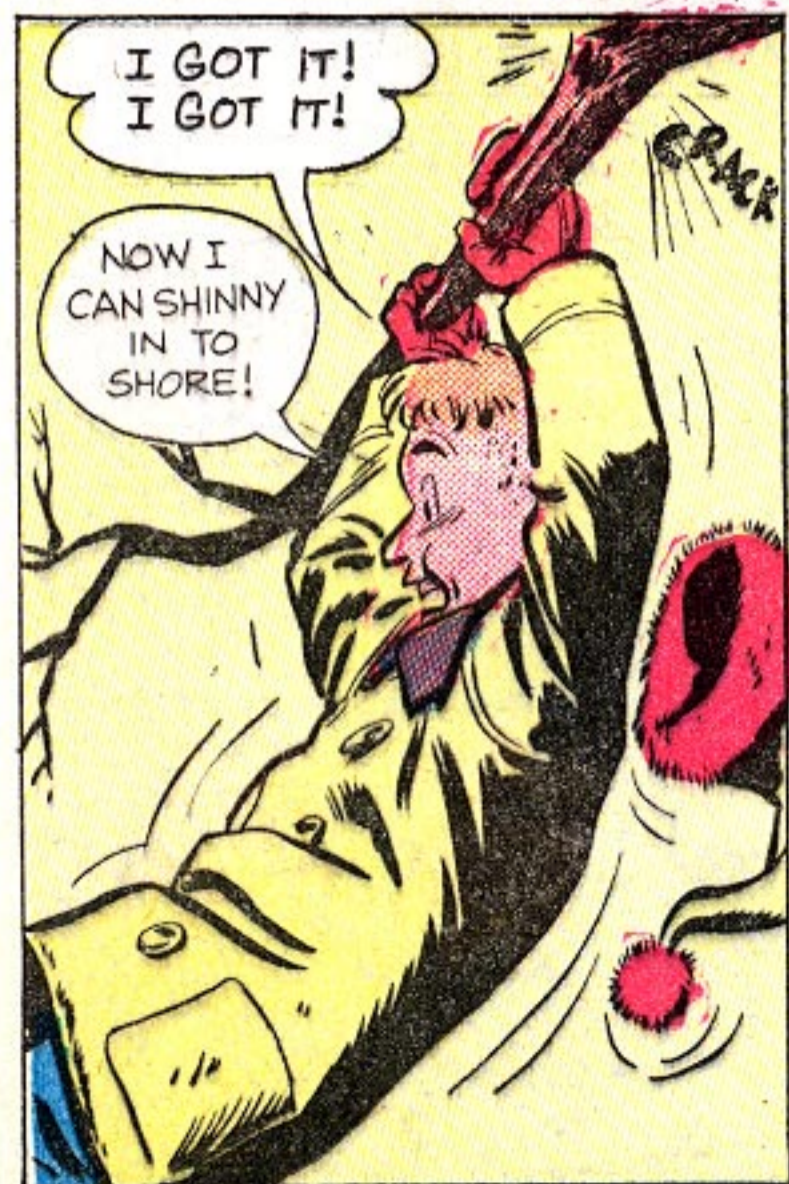


I'LL GET THE POLICE!

HURRY, SLUGGER! HE'S GOING AWFULLY FAST!



HEY! MAYBE I CAN REACH THAT BRANCH!



I GOT IT! I GOT IT!

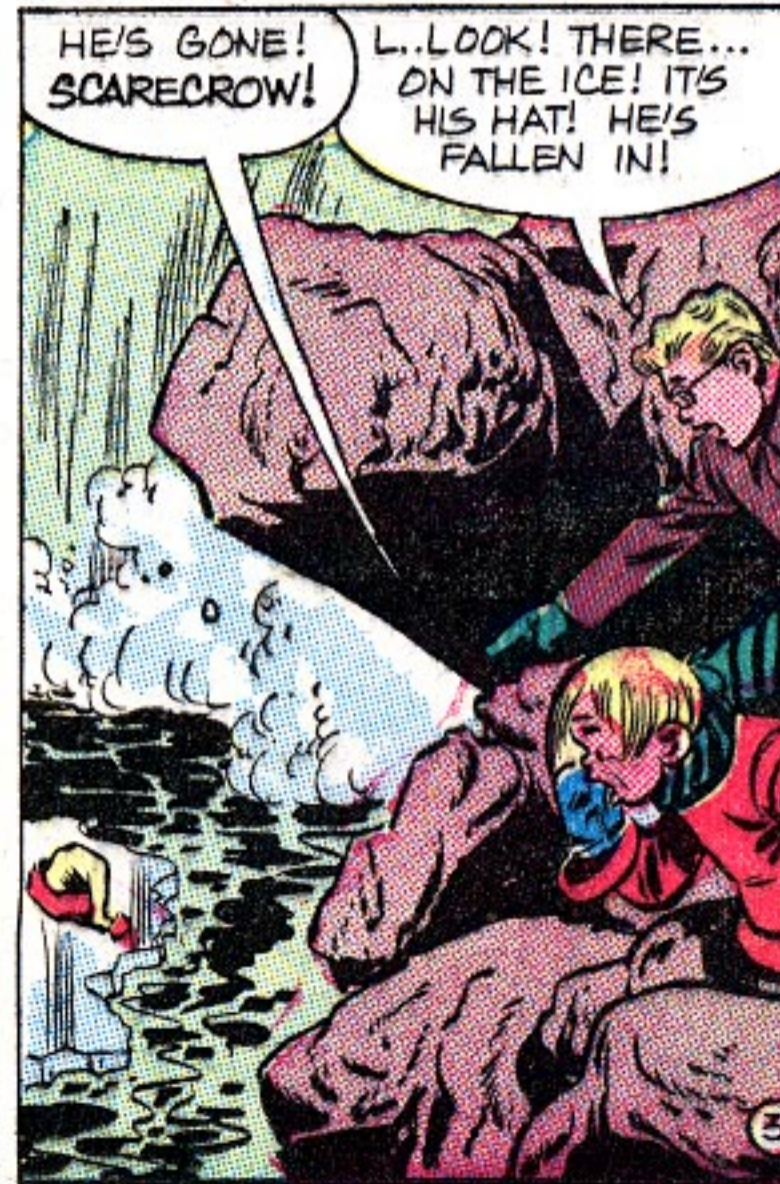
NOW I CAN SHINNY IN TO SHORE!



YOWN... SPLUFF!

SCARECROW LANDS IN SHALLOW WATER...

SPLASH



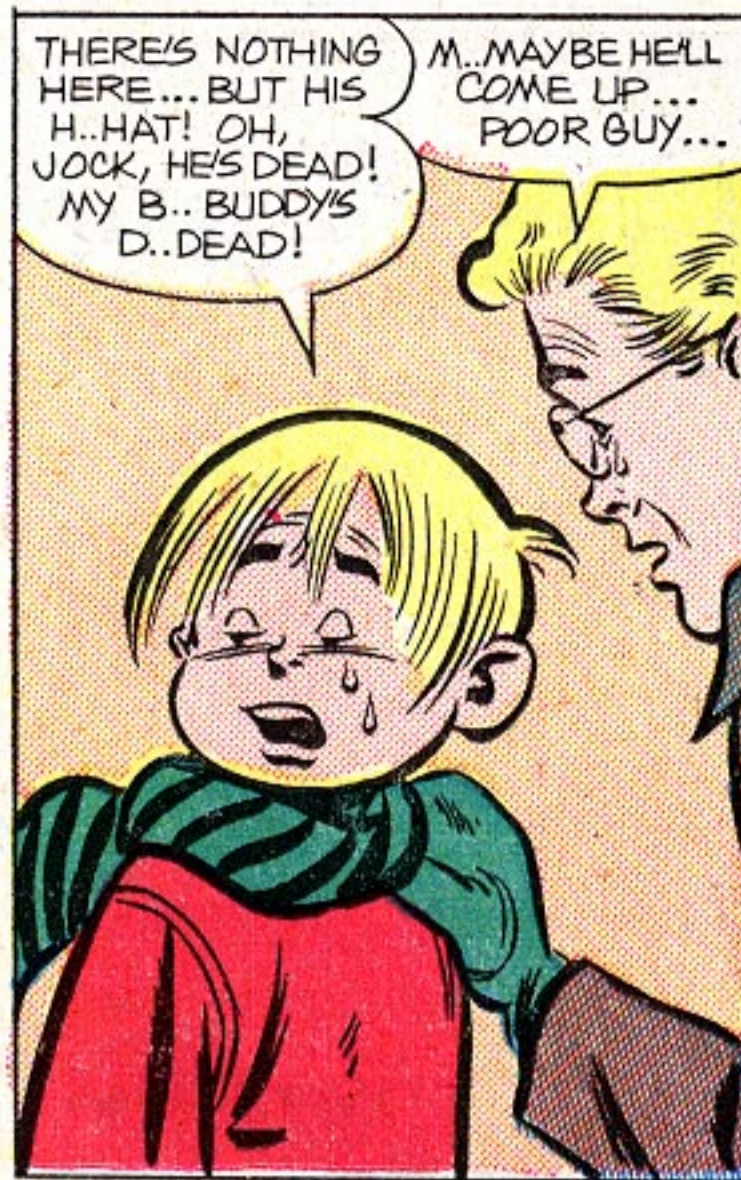
HE'S GONE! SCARECROW!

L..LOOK! THERE... ON THE ICE! IT'S HIS HAT! HE'S FALLEN IN!



SCARECROW!  
I'M COMING!  
I'LL GET  
YOU!

DONT, SLUGGER! YOU  
CANT HELP HIM NOW!  
WE CANT EVEN SEE  
HIM! YOU'LL ONLY  
GET KILLED YOURSELF!  
LETS CLIMB DOWN  
TO THE BOTTOM OF  
THE FALLS...  
MAYBE WE CAN  
FIND HIM!



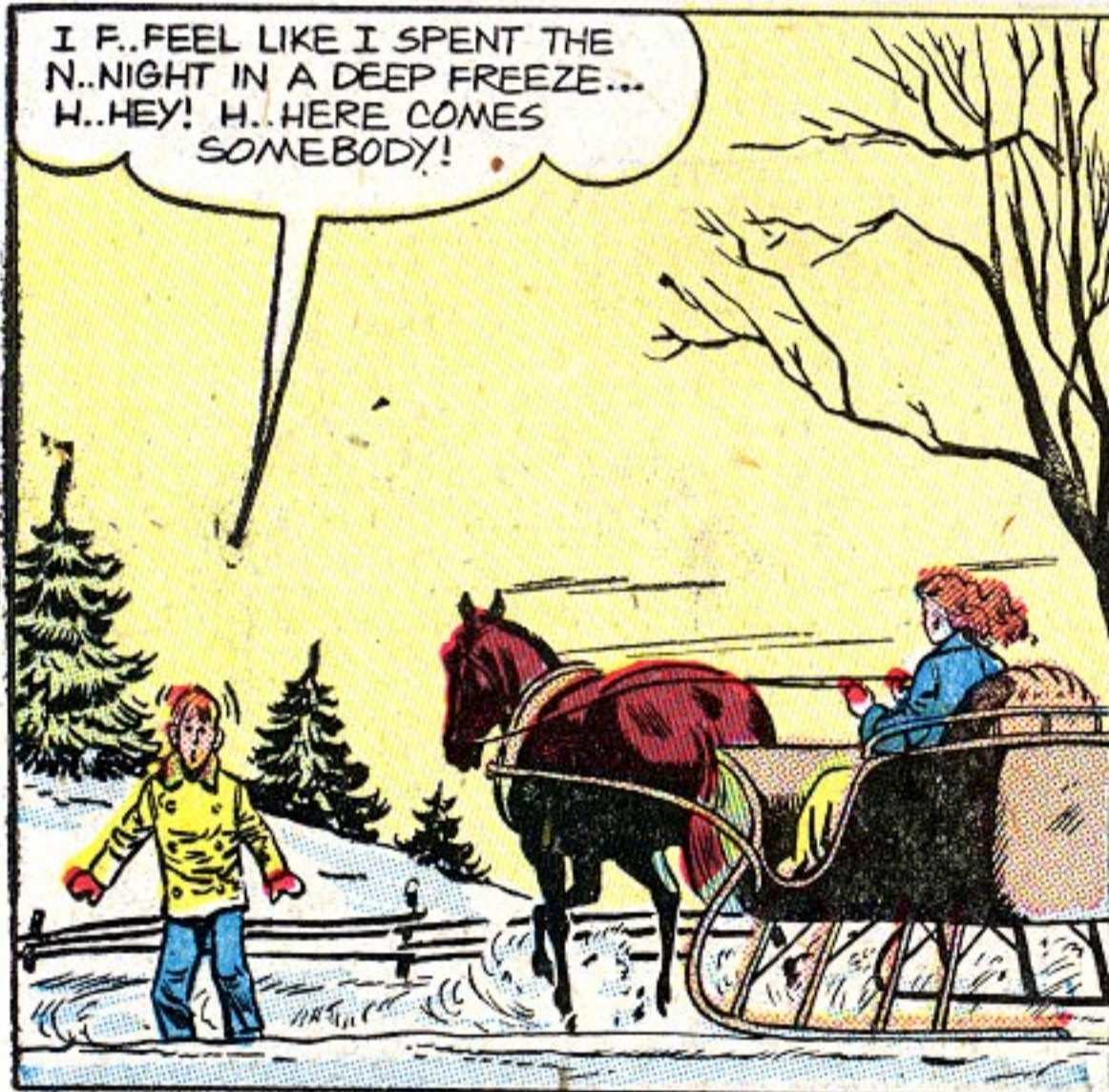
THERE'S NOTHING  
HERE... BUT HIS  
H..HAT! OH,  
JOCK, HE'S DEAD!  
MY B.. BUDDY'S  
D..DEAD!

M..MAYBE HELL  
COME UP...  
POOR GUY...



MEANWHILE...

B..BOY! IS  
THAT WATER  
C..COLD! G..GEE  
...I WONDER  
WHAT HAPPENED  
TO THE  
WISE GUYS!

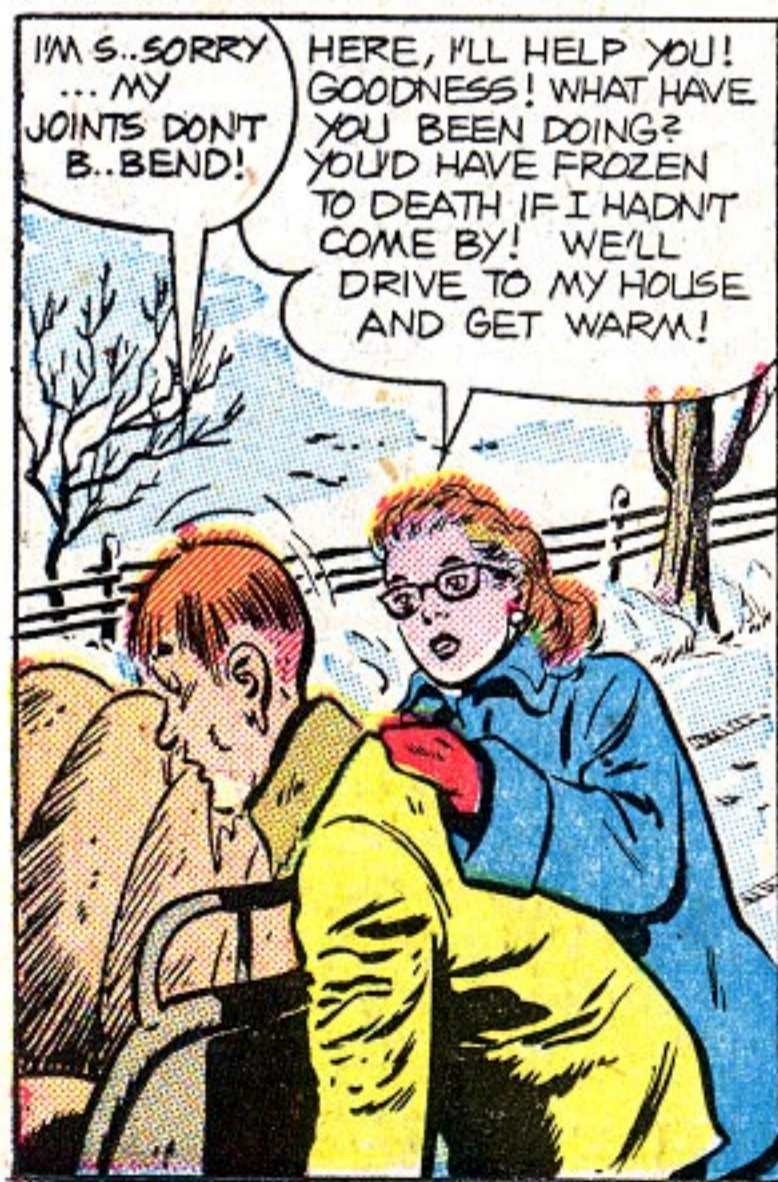


I F..FEEL LIKE I SPENT THE  
N..NIGHT IN A DEEP FREEZE...  
H..HEY! H..HERE COMES  
SOMEBODY!



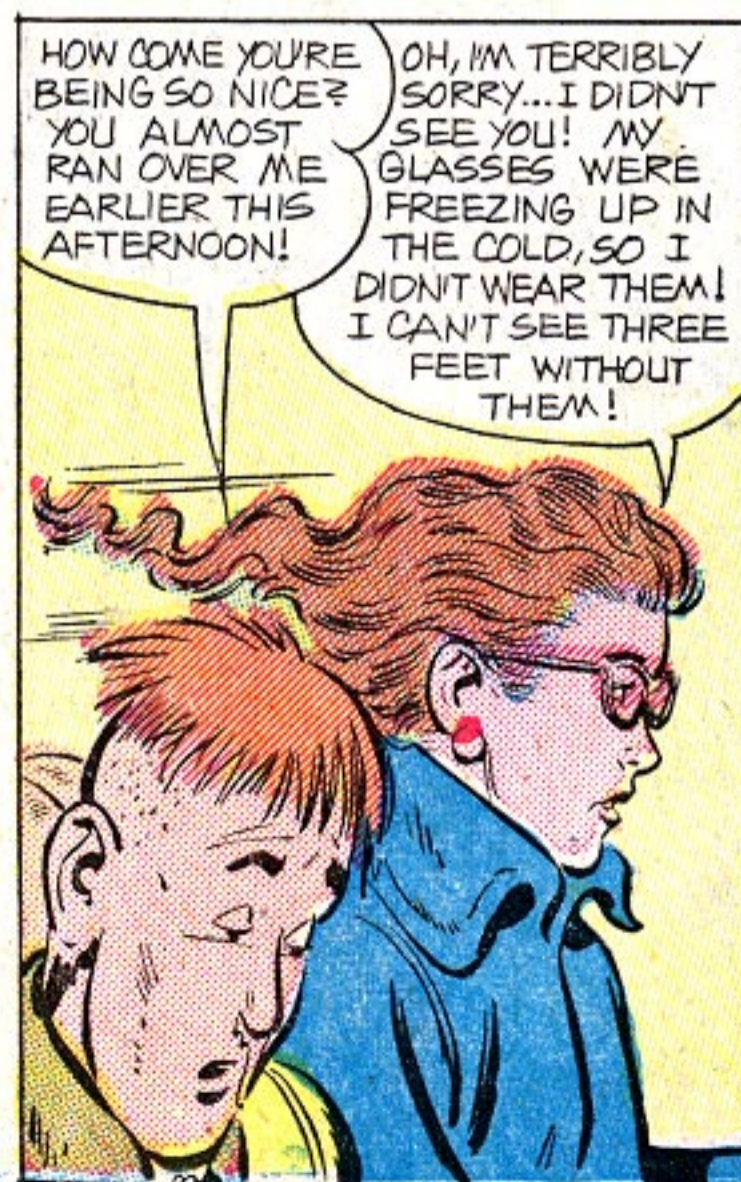
P..PLEASE, MISS...  
C..CAN YOU H..HELP  
ME? MISS...  
I'M C..COLD!

WHAT? WHO'S THAT? GOOD  
HEAVENS! YOU'RE FROZEN  
STIFF! COME IN -  
QUICKLY!



I'M S..SORRY  
... MY  
JOINTS DONT  
B..BEND!

HERE, I'LL HELP YOU!  
GOODNESS! WHAT HAVE  
YOU BEEN DOING?  
YOU'D HAVE FROZEN  
TO DEATH IF I HADN'T  
COME BY! WE'LL  
DRIVE TO MY HOUSE  
AND GET WARM!



HOW COME YOU'RE  
BEING SO NICE?  
YOU ALMOST  
RAN OVER ME  
EARLIER THIS  
AFTERNOON!

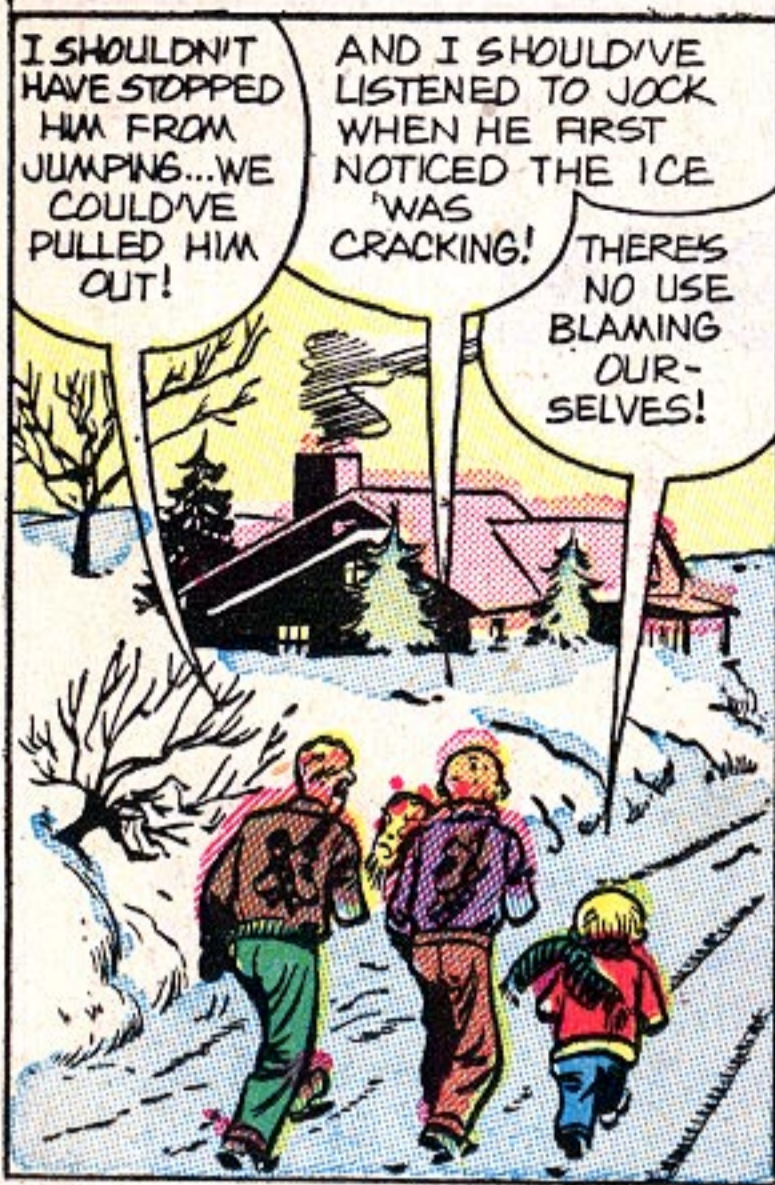
OH, I'M TERRIBLY  
SORRY... I DIDNT  
SEE YOU! MY  
GLASSES WERE  
FREEZING UP IN  
THE COLD, SO I  
DIDNT WEAR THEM!  
I CANT SEE THREE  
FEET WITHOUT  
THEM!



AN HOUR LATER...

IF YOU BOYS DONT GET  
OUT OF THIS COLD, YOU'LL  
END UP IN THAT  
AMBULANCE! YOU CANT  
DO ANY GOOD HERE!  
WE'LL LET YOU KNOW  
AS SOON AS WE  
LEARN ANYTHING!

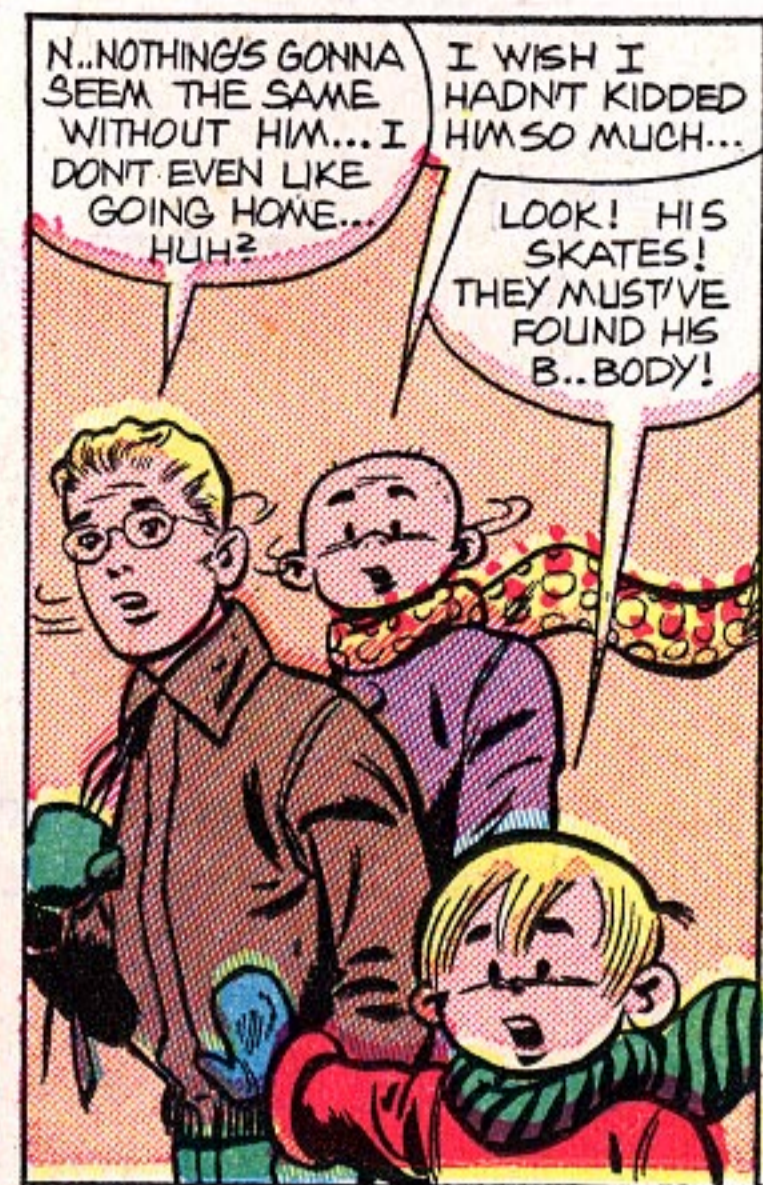
I GUESS  
YOU'RE RIGHT...  
LETS GO,  
FELLAS!



I SHOULDN'T HAVE STOPPED HIM FROM JUMPING...WE COULDN'T PULL HIM OUT!

AND I SHOULD'VE LISTENED TO JOCK WHEN HE FIRST NOTICED THE ICE WAS CRACKING!

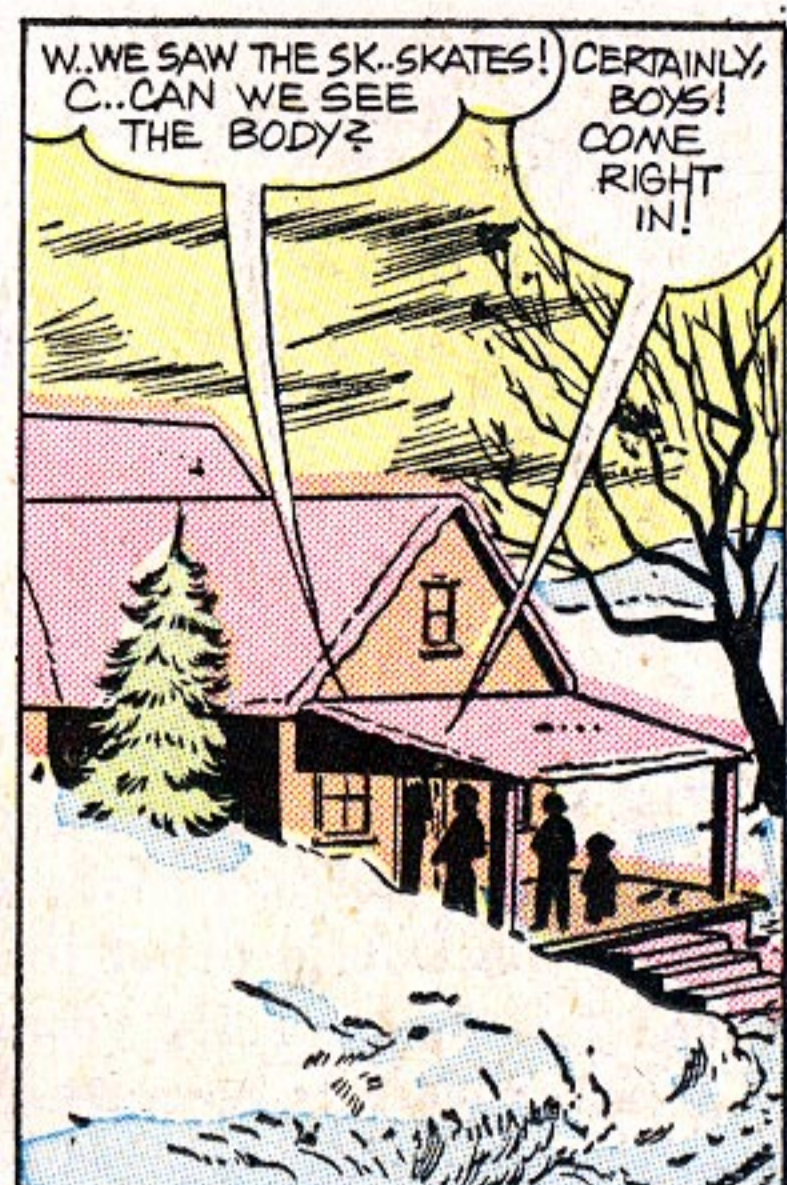
THERE'S NO USE BLAMING OURSELVES!



N..NOTHING'S GONNA SEEM THE SAME WITHOUT HIM...I DONT EVEN LIKE GOING HOME... HUH?

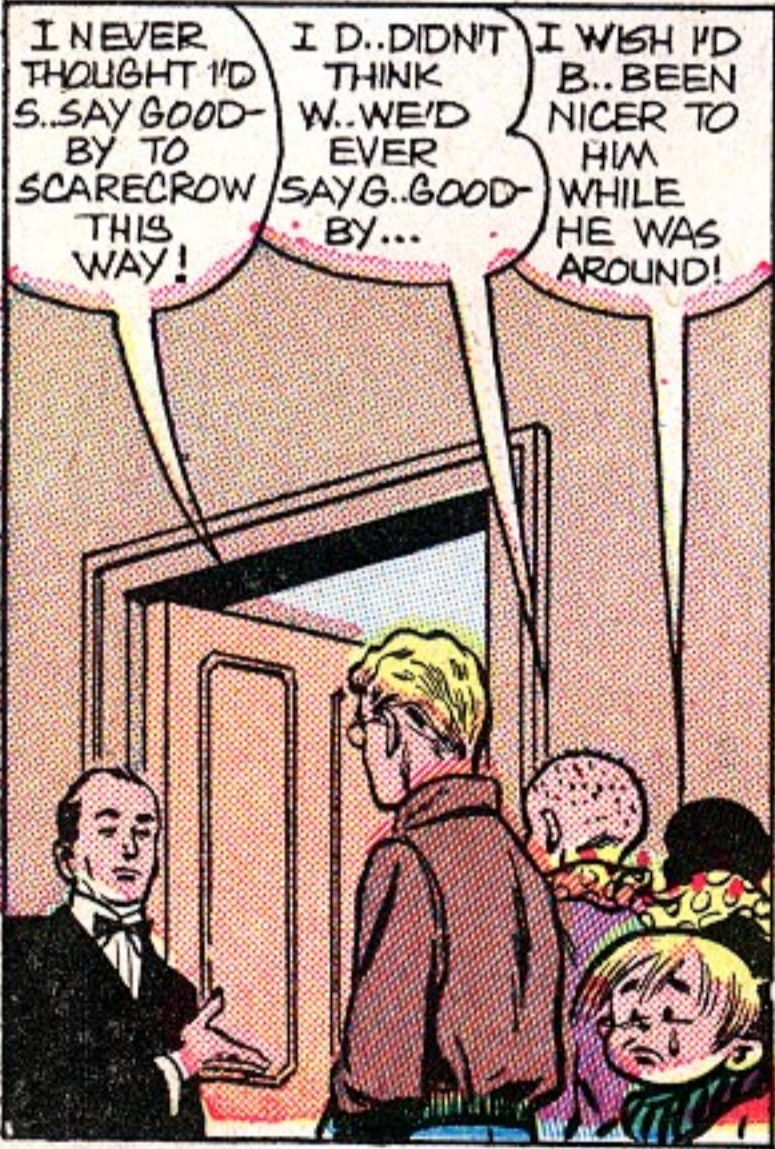
I WISH I HADNT KIDDED HIM SO MUCH...

LOOK! HIS SKATES! THEY MUST'VE FOUND HIS B..BODY!



W..WE SAW THE SK..SKATES! C..CAN WE SEE THE BODY?

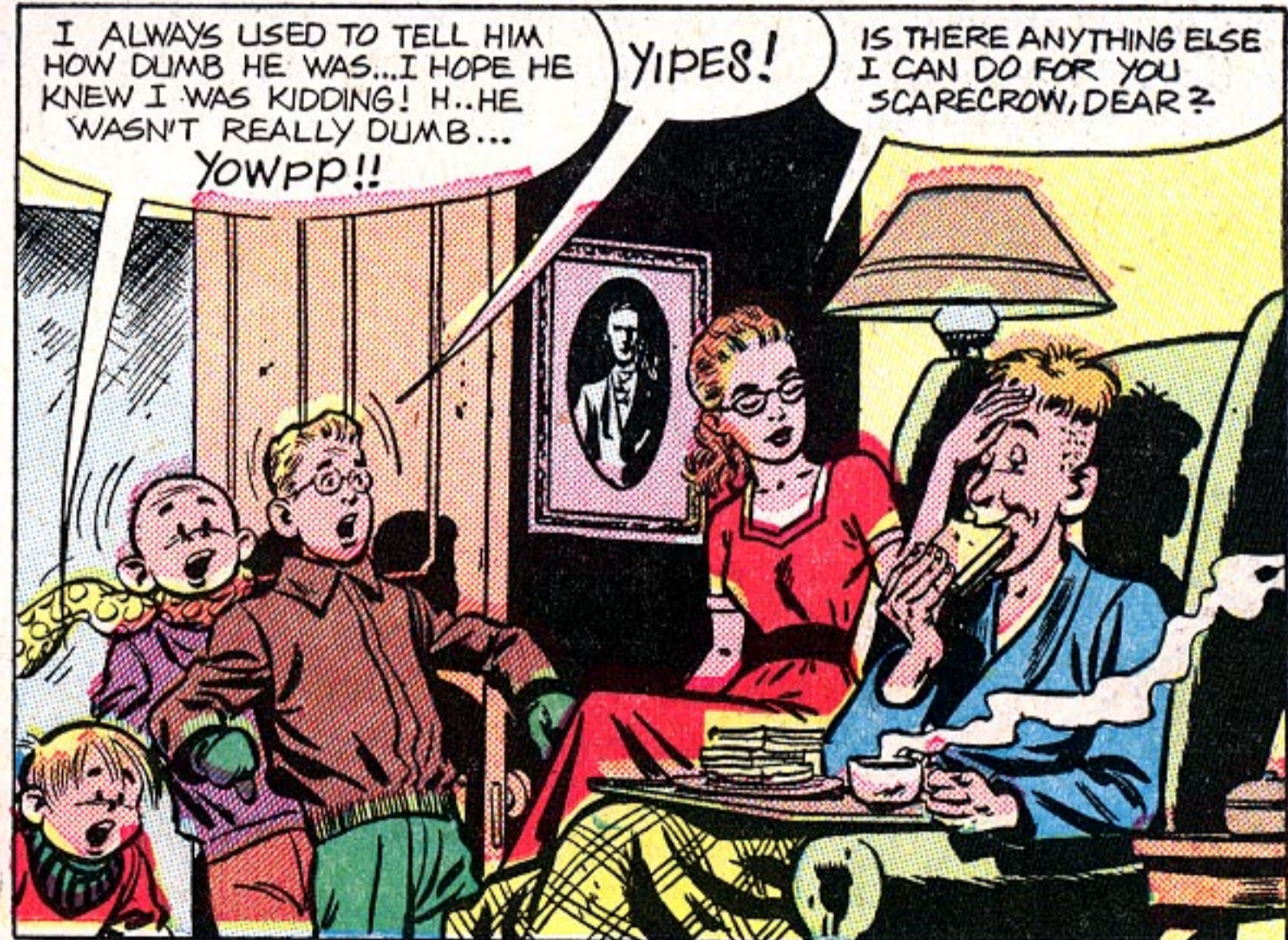
CERTAINLY, BOYS! COME RIGHT IN!



I NEVER THOUGHT I'D S..SAY GOOD-BY TO SCARECROW THIS WAY!

I D..DIDNT THINK W..WE'D EVER SAY G..GOOD-BY...

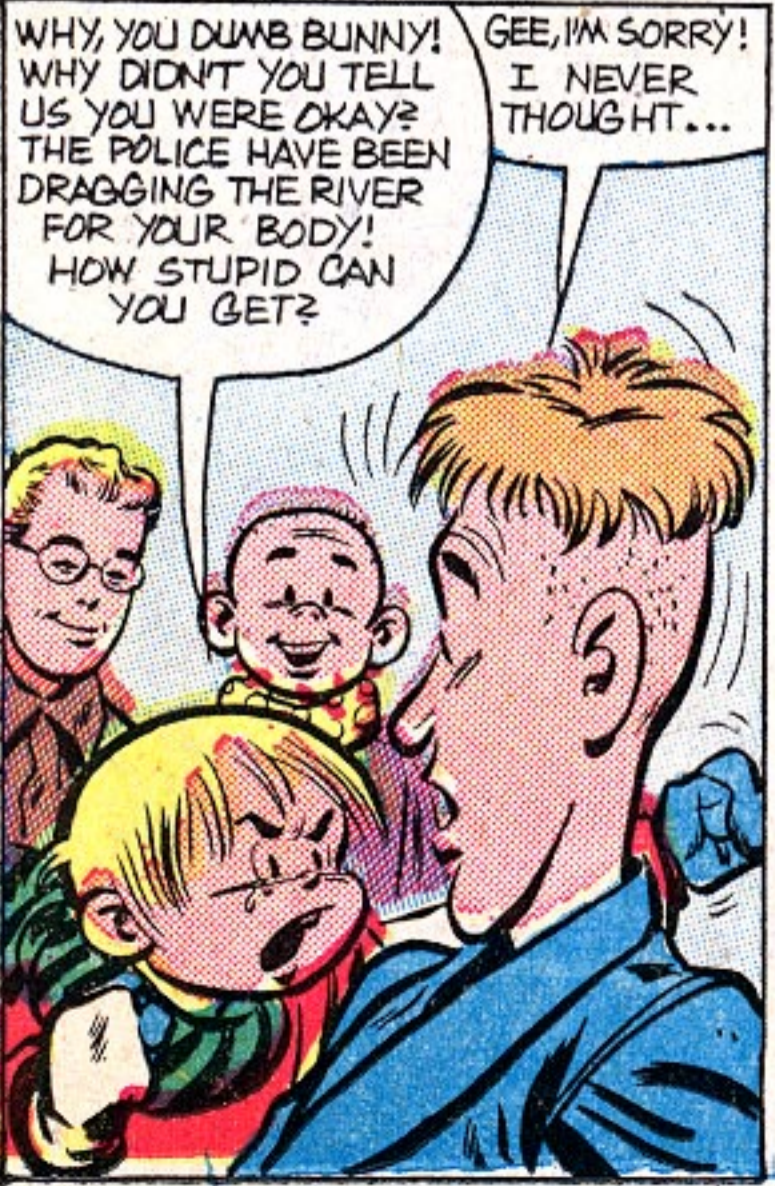
I WISH I'D B..BEEN NICER TO HIM WHILE HE WAS AROUND!



I ALWAYS USED TO TELL HIM HOW DUMB HE WAS...I HOPE HE KNEW I WAS KIDDING! H..HE WASN'T REALLY DUMB... YOWPP!!

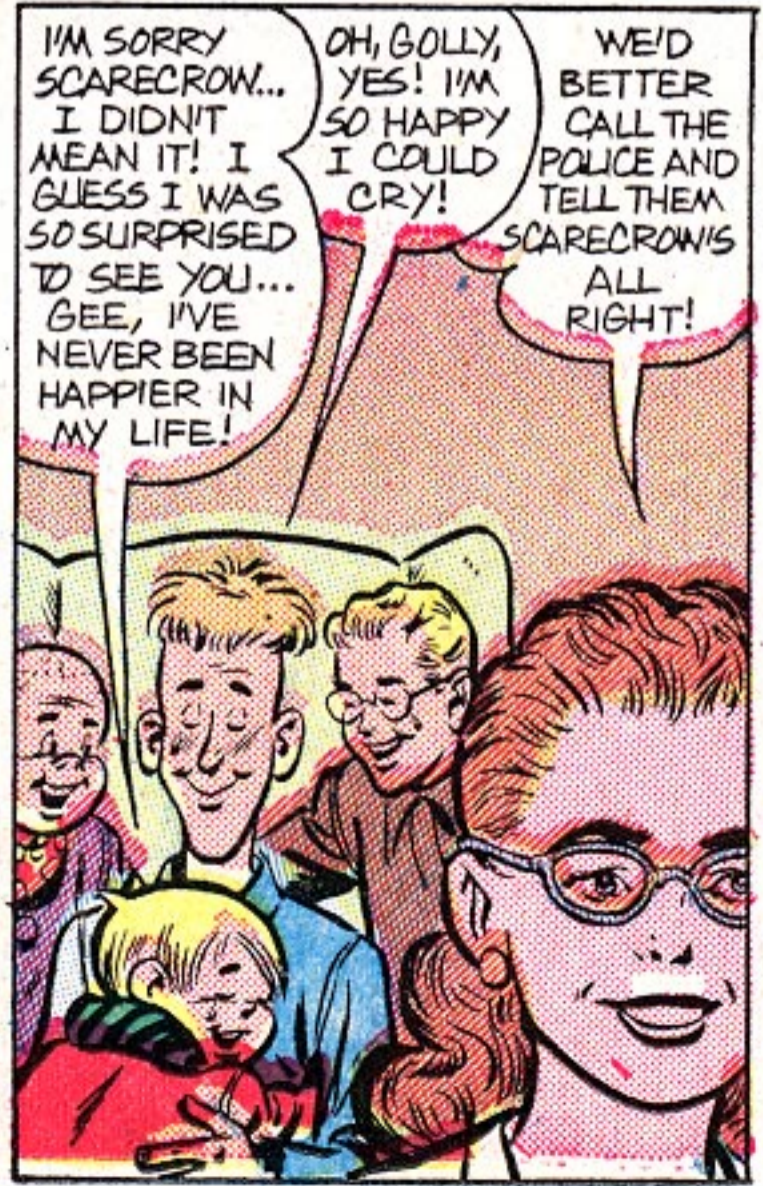
YIPES!

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE I CAN DO FOR YOU SCARECROW, DEAR?



WHY, YOU DUMB BUNNY! WHY DIDNT YOU TELL US YOU WERE OKAY? THE POLICE HAVE BEEN DRAGGING THE RIVER FOR YOUR BODY! HOW STUPID CAN YOU GET?

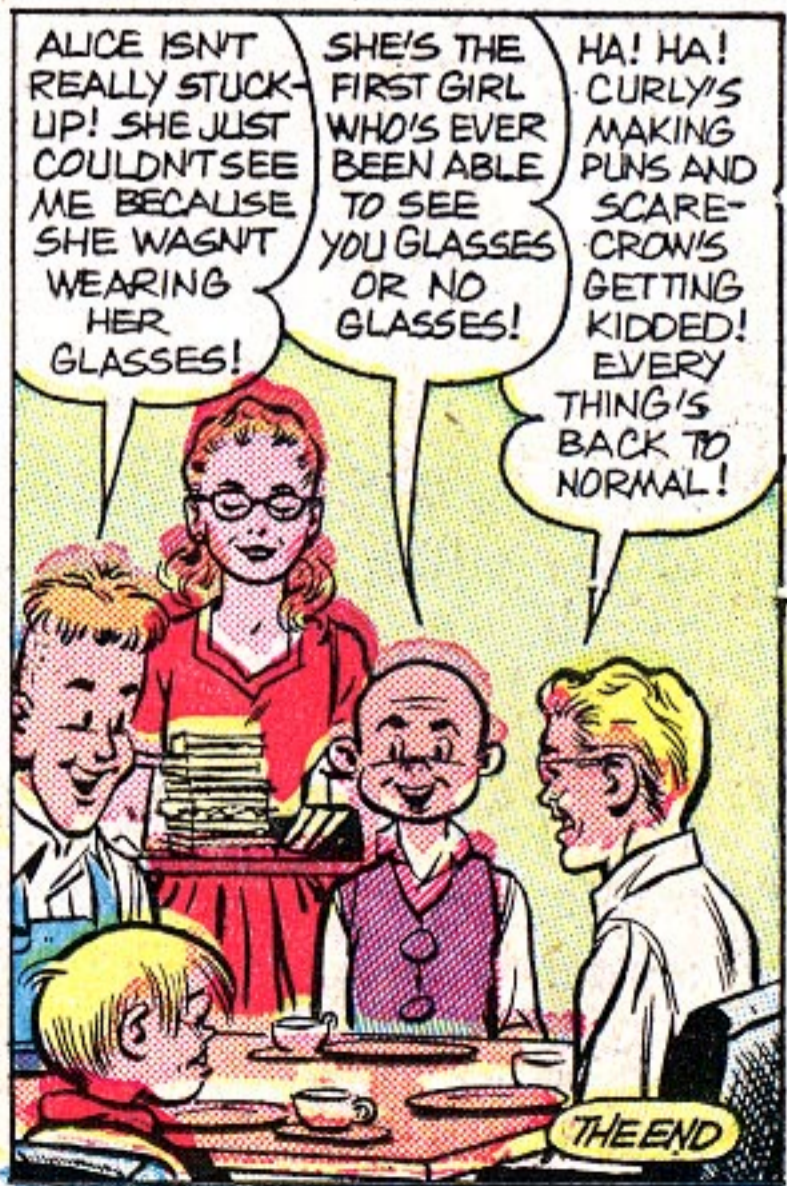
GEE, I'M SORRY! I NEVER THOUGHT...



I'M SORRY SCARECROW... I DIDNT MEAN IT! I GUESS I WAS SO SURPRISED TO SEE YOU... GEE, I'VE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER IN MY LIFE!

OH, GOLLY, YES! I'M SO HAPPY I COULD CRY!

WE'D BETTER CALL THE POLICE AND TELL THEM SCARECROW'S ALL RIGHT!



ALICE ISNT REALLY STUCK-UP! SHE JUST COULDN'T SEE ME BECAUSE SHE WASNT WEARING HER GLASSES!

SHE'S THE FIRST GIRL WHO'S EVER BEEN ABLE TO SEE YOU GLASSES OR NO GLASSES!

HA! HA! CURLY'S MAKING PUNS AND SCARECROW'S GETTING KIDDED! EVERY THING'S BACK TO NORMAL!

THE END



# JUMPING

# THE GUN

## HAMLET IN KNEE PANTS

The Irish boy actor Joseph Burke, who was a stage star at five, was acclaimed by critics and audiences alike, for the skill with which he played adult roles. After his Dublin debut in Tom Thumb in 1824, he was engaged to play Hamlet, and for the next six years he toured the British Isles acting in Shakespearean parts as well as comedies and melodramas. He came to America with his parents at the age of eleven, and continued his triumphs in such parts as Shylock, Richard III, and Hamlet. He retired from the stage, an old trouper at seventeen, and spent the rest of his life as a successful violinist, dying in 1902 at the ripe age of 83.

\* \* \*

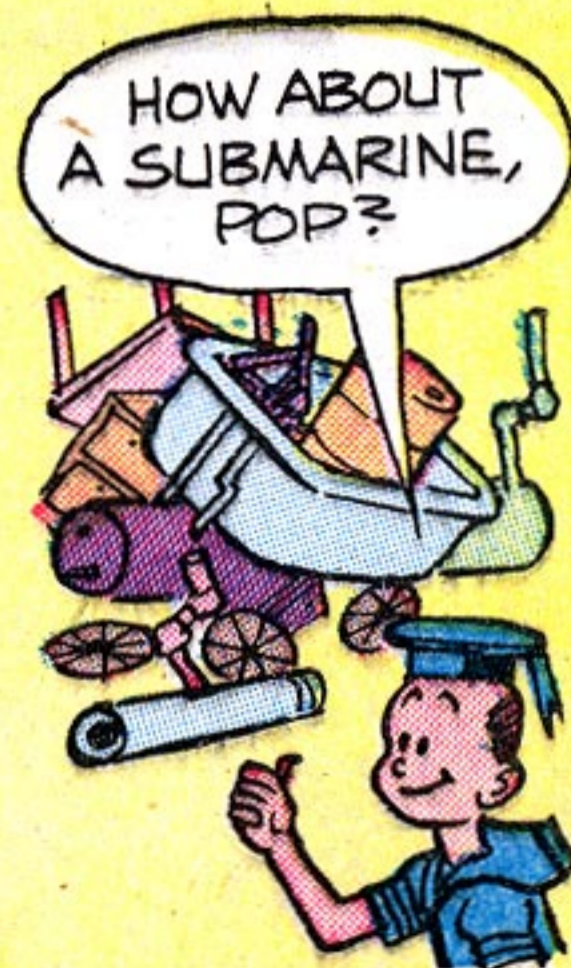
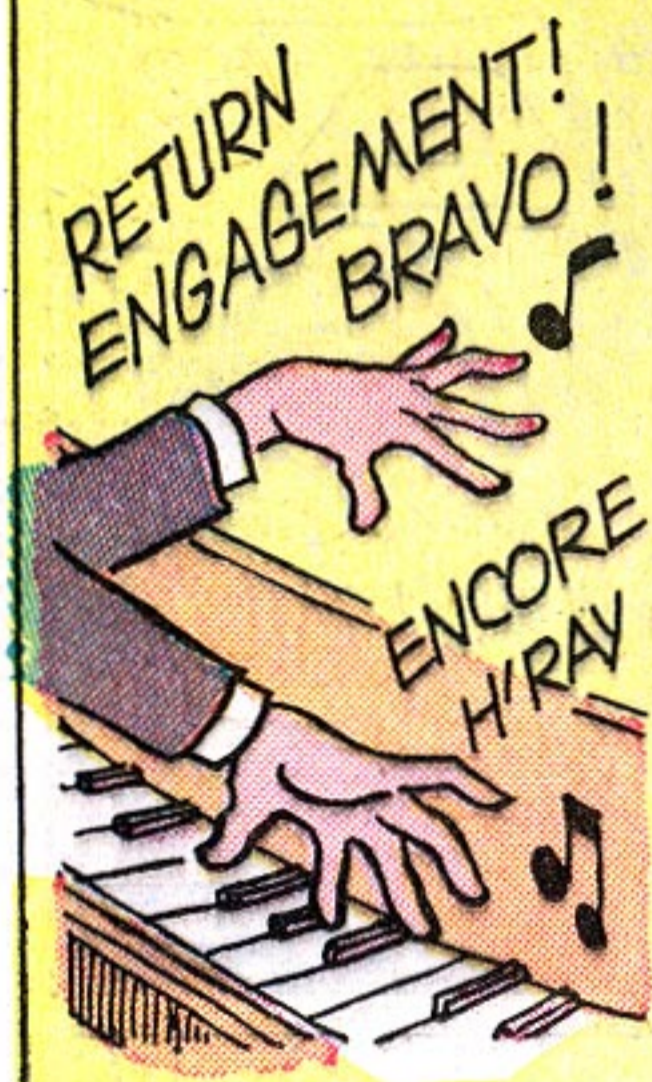
## PRODIGY OF THE KEYBOARD

Wearing a white tie and tails, and displaying big, toothy smiles, a six year old Brooklyn boy gave his third piano recital at Carnegie Hall in June, 1955. Atop the piano stood a candelabra, purchased for him by his mother as an incentive to her son who idolizes Liberace whom he watches on television. The youth began taking piano lessons at the age of four, and progressed so well in his studies that he was booked for two concert appearances at Carnegie Hall one year later.

\* \* \*

## THE BIG LIFT

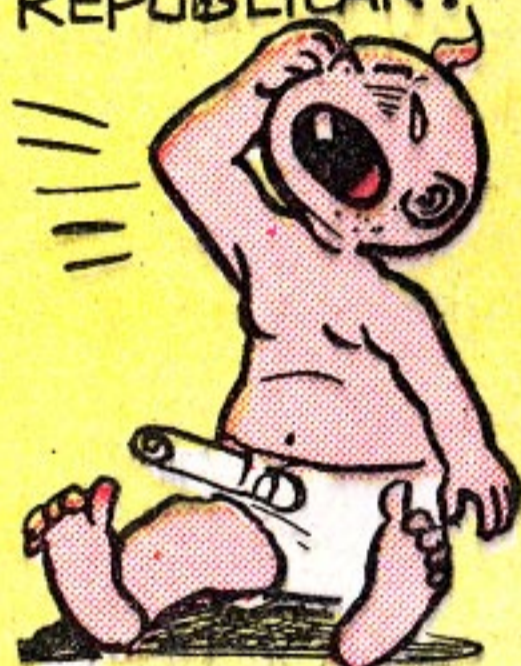
A toy tractor capable of carrying a two hundred pound load at six miles per hour for about eight hours on a gallon of gas, has made a Great Barrington, Massachusetts, youth the envy of all his friends. The tractor was built for him during a six weeks period by his father, who used a discarded lawn mower and scrap metal to make the giant toy. The tractor weighs one hundred pounds and is powered by a lawn mower engine which is started by a rope, and controlled by a throttle and clutch.



## ONE IN A MILLION

Because he is afflicted with a rare condition known as ganglioneuropathy, an eight year old boy of Pembury, England, doesn't cry if he gets hurt because he cannot feel pain of any kind. His parents who have a twenty-four hour job of watching him, examine the boy carefully each time he stops playing to make certain he hasn't suffered any serious cuts or bruises. There are believed to be a total of only six such cases in existence.

AND I VOTED  
REPUBLICAN!



\* \* \*

## JUVENILE DELINQUENT

A two year old California youngster received a letter from the state income tax bureau informing him that he hadn't filed a return and would suffer "severe penalties" if he didn't settle up immediately. Red faced officials later admitted it was all a mistake (May, 1955).

\* \* \*

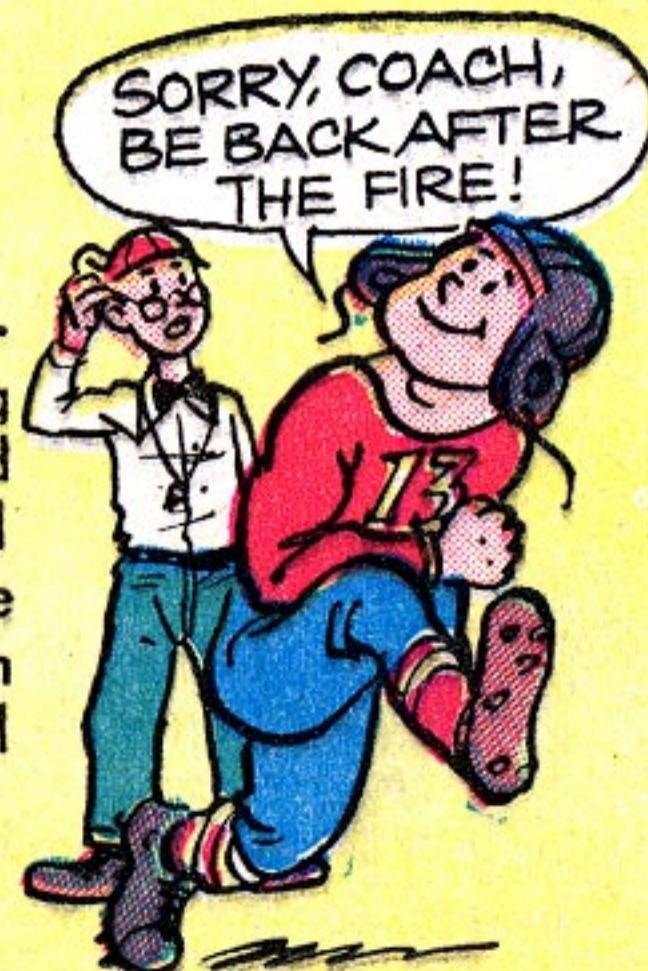
## PUBLISHER, JUNIOR GRADE

At the age of eleven, when most boys have time for little except Boy Scouts, cowboys and Indians, a Minot, North Dakota, lad has found time to publish a newspaper. His paper, the South Hill News, has a circulation of about fifty copies every two weeks, and makes about \$1.50 in advertising profits on every issue. An average copy of the paper contains 8 pages and besides local news, includes a combination Almanac, Moon Book and Horoscope, and a Stumpword contest along the lines of a crossword puzzle. A correct answer entitles the lucky contestant to three free editions of the paper and ten cents.

\* \* \*

## FIERY YOUTH

Since the mass resignation of the adult volunteer fire department of Spencer, West Virginia, the town's fire fighting force has been manned by high school students who regard it as a school activity and resign after commencement. All of Spencer's fire chiefs during the past thirteen years have been youths under the age of nineteen. The boys speed in getting to blazes and putting them out has won them official recognition from the town's 3,500 residents.



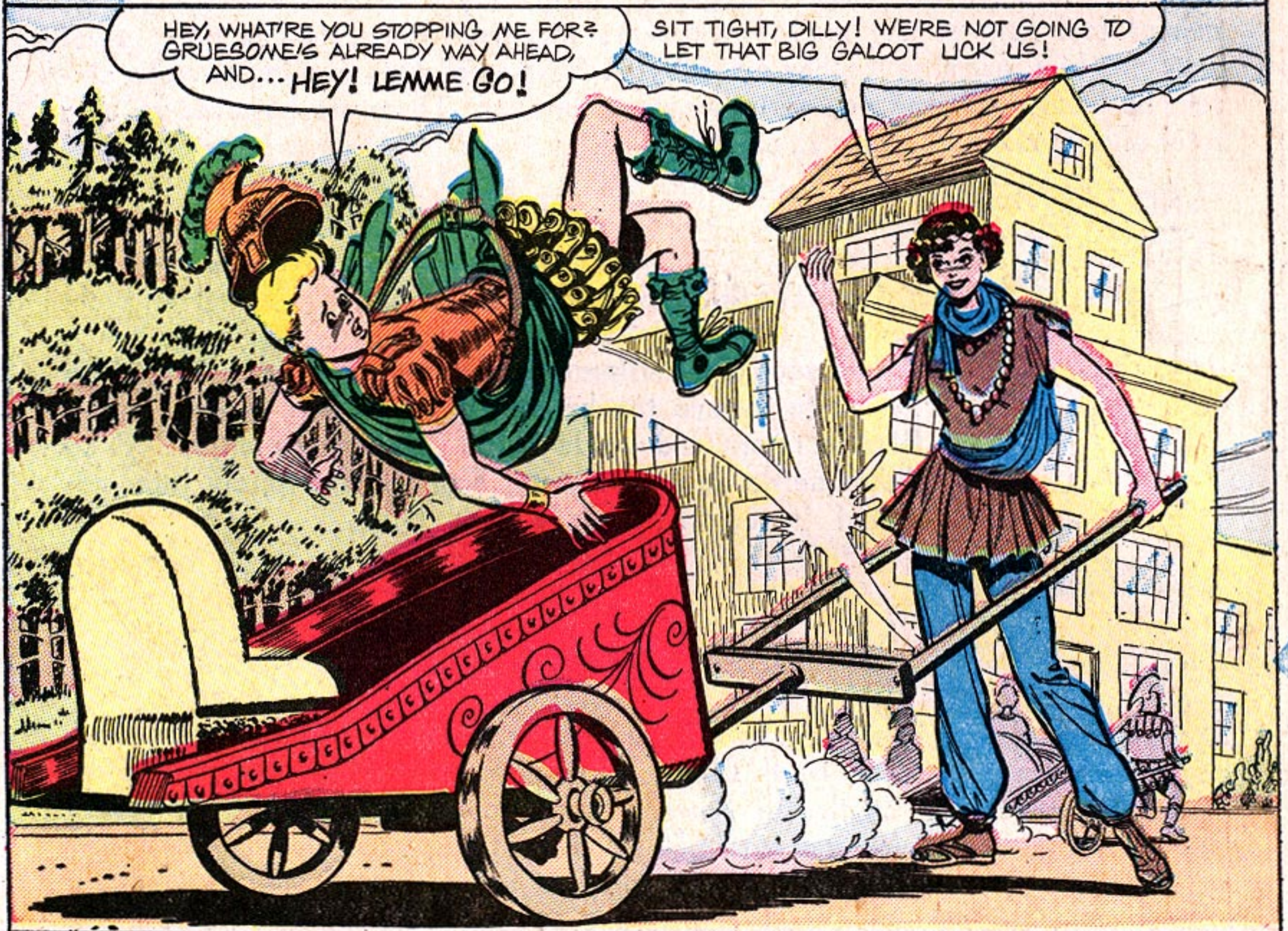
# DILLY DUNCAN

## in "THE BACK-SEAT DRIVER"

IN THE RUNNING BATTLE BETWEEN GRUESOME JONES AND DILLY DUNCAN, DILLY'S BRAINS HAVE USUALLY WON OVER GRUESOME'S BRAUN! BUT THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY CHARIOT RACE IS ONE EVENT THAT GRUESOME HAD ALWAYS WON... UNTIL DILLY GOT AN UNEXPECTED ASSIST FROM AN EAGER AMAZON!

HEY, WHAT'RE YOU STOPPING ME FOR? GRUESOME'S ALREADY WAY AHEAD, AND... HEY! LEMME GO!

SIT TIGHT, DILLY! WE'RE NOT GOING TO LET THAT BIG GALLOOT LICK US!



THAT PICTURE OF GRUESOME AS CAESAR HAS BEEN HANGING THERE FOR A YEAR NOW! HAVEN'T YOU SEEN IT OFTEN ENOUGH?

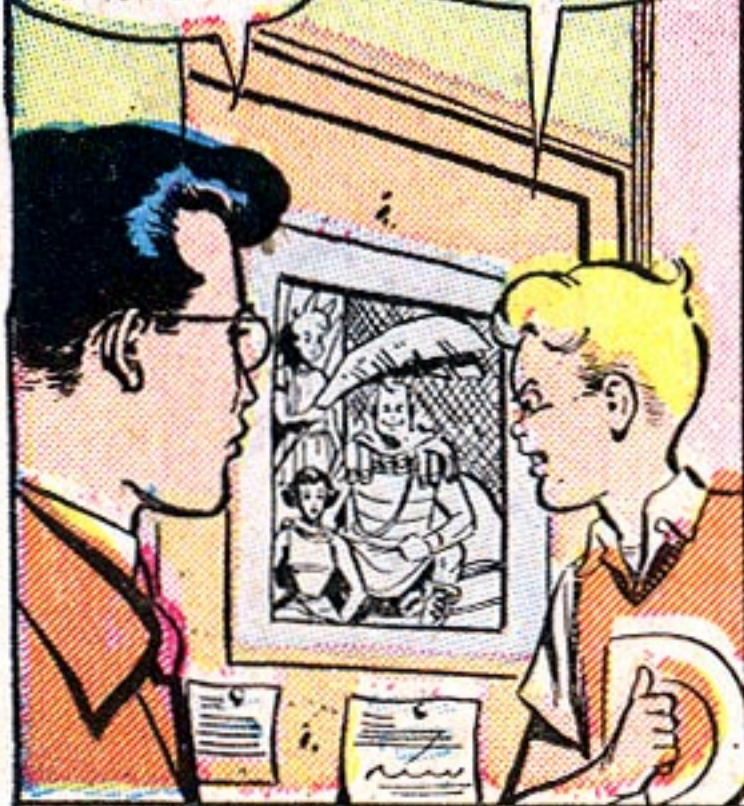
I'M JUST MAKING MYSELF MORE DETERMINED TO BEAT GRUESOME THIS YEAR! AFTER THE RACE TOMORROW THAT'S GONNA BE MY PICTURE HANGING UP THERE!

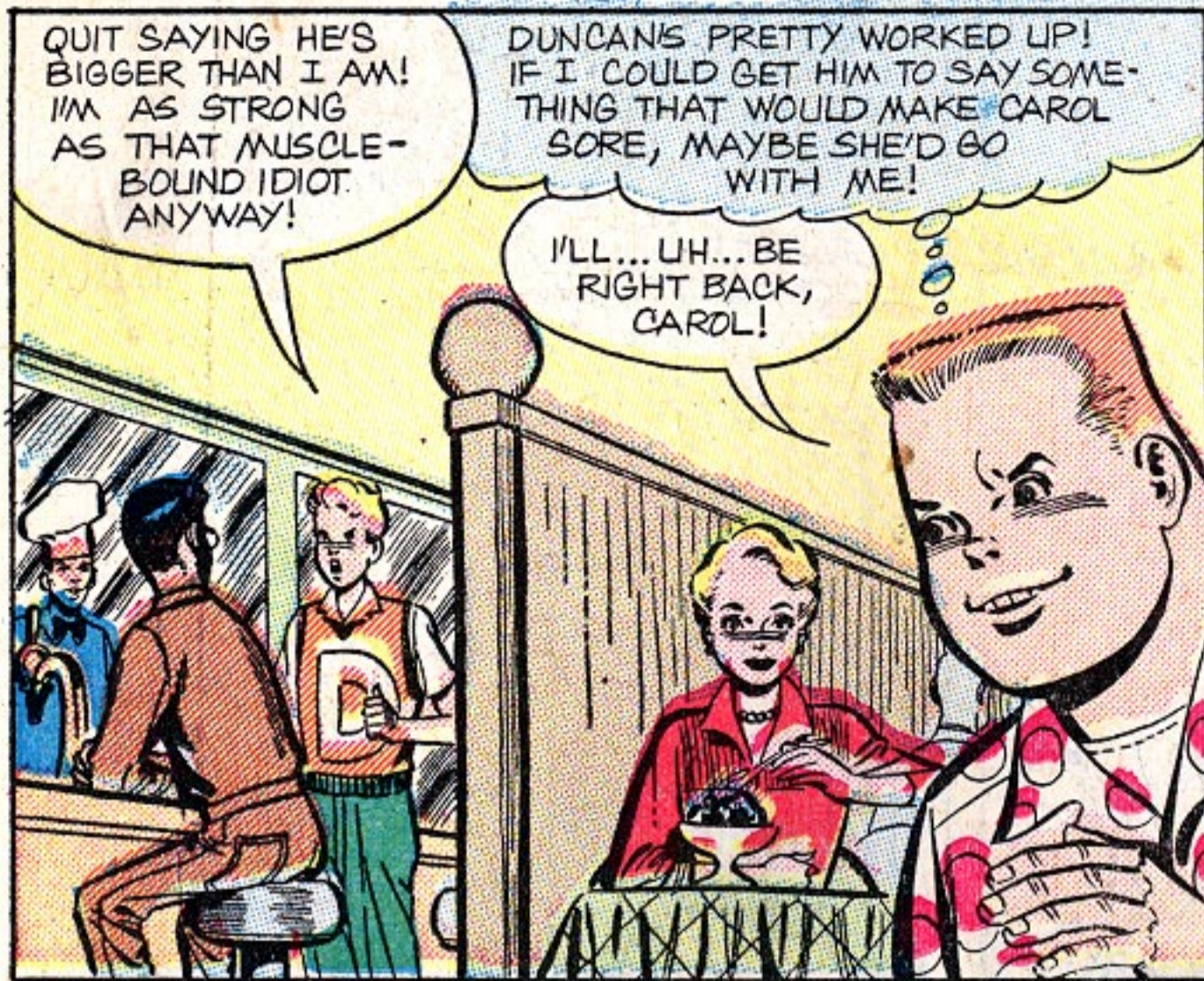
I WOULDN'T MIND SO MUCH IF IT WAS ANYBODY ELSE, BUT THAT BIG OX ALWAYS WINS! AND I HAVE TO WAIT ON HIM FOR A WHOLE DAY... I'M GONNA LICK HIM THIS YEAR, OR DIE IN THE ATTEMPT!

DON'T TAKE IT SO SERIOUSLY, DILLY! IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT BECAUSE HE'S BIGGER THAN YOU ARE! C'MON- LET'S COOL OFF WITH A SODA AT THE SWEET SHOPPE!

HOW ABOUT RIDING WITH ME THIS YEAR, CAROL? YOU'LL NEVER BE CLEOPATRA SO LONG AS YOU STICK TO DEAD HEAD DUNCAN!

I'VE ALREADY PROMISED DILLY, GRUESOME! I CAN'T DISAPPOINT HIM!

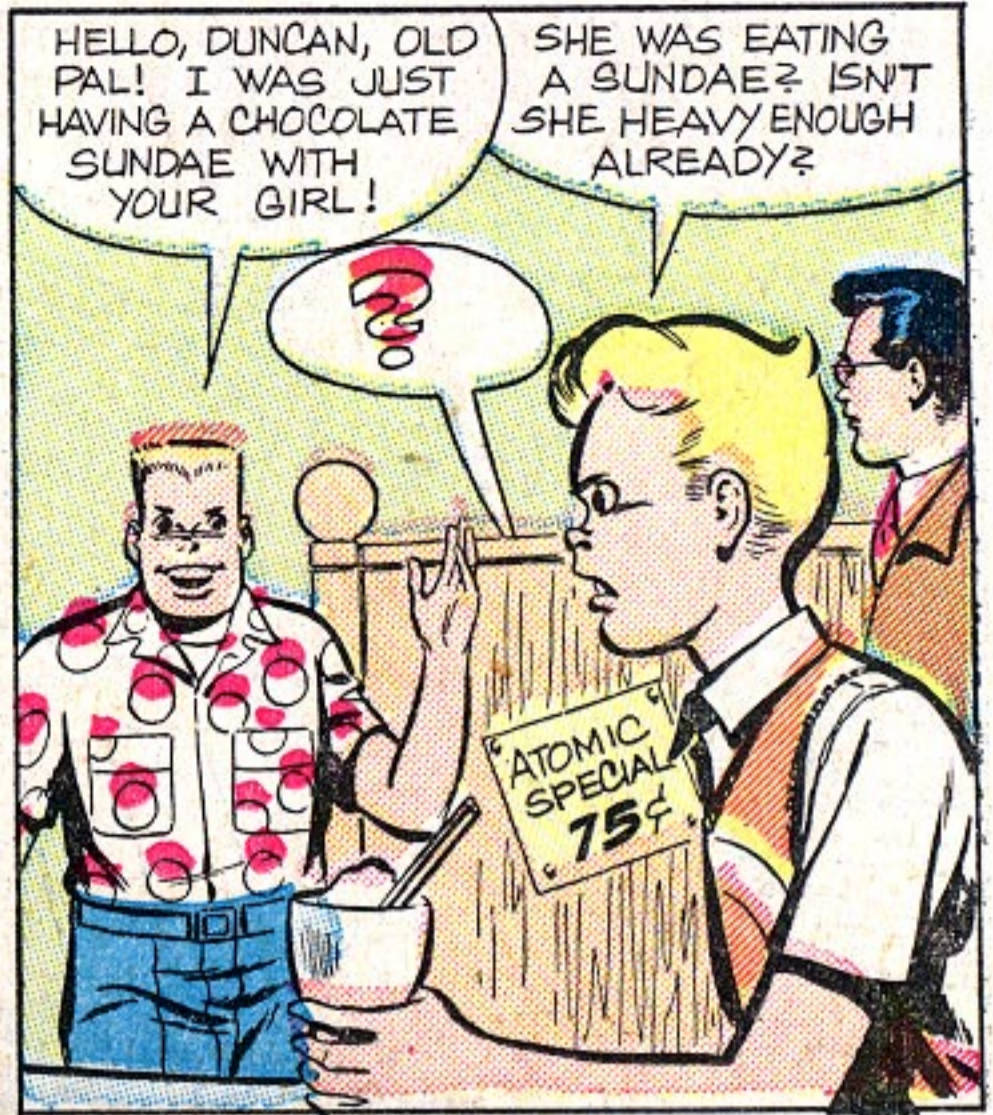




QUIT SAYING HE'S BIGGER THAN I AM! I'M AS STRONG AS THAT MUSCLE-BOUND IDIOT ANYWAY!

DUNCAN'S PRETTY WORKED UP! IF I COULD GET HIM TO SAY SOMETHING THAT WOULD MAKE CAROL SORE, MAYBE SHE'D GO WITH ME!

I'LL... UH... BE RIGHT BACK, CAROL!

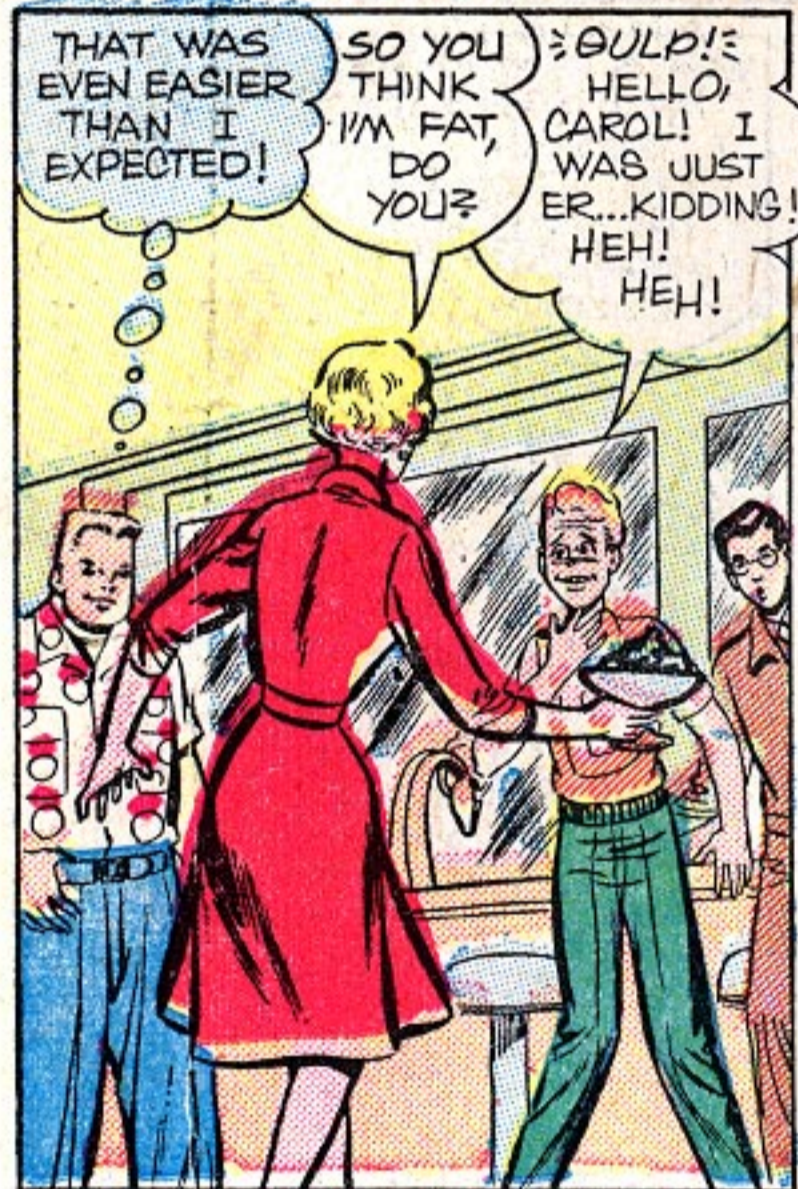


HELLO, DUNCAN, OLD PAL! I WAS JUST HAVING A CHOCOLATE SUNDAE WITH YOUR GIRL!

SHE WAS EATING A SUNDAE? ISN'T SHE HEAVY ENOUGH ALREADY?

?

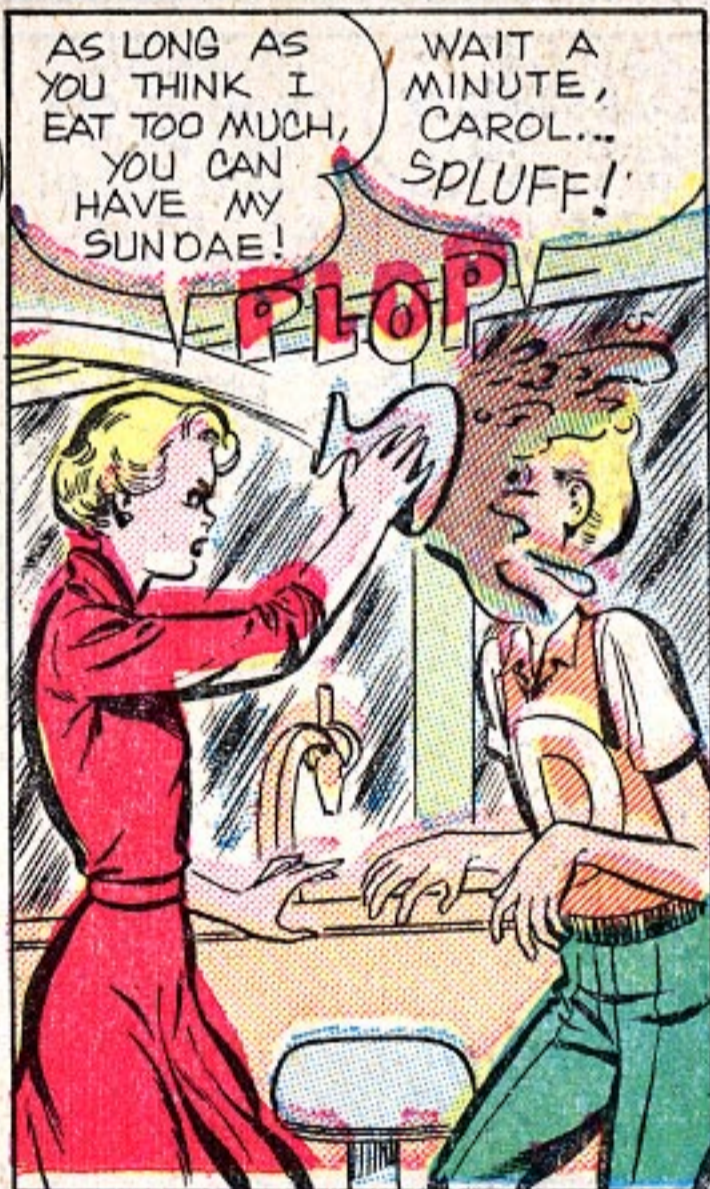
ATOMIC SPECIAL 75¢



THAT WAS EVEN EASIER THAN I EXPECTED!

SO YOU THINK I'M FAT, DO YOU?

DUH! HELLO, CAROL! I WAS JUST ER... KIDDING! HEH! HEH!



AS LONG AS YOU THINK I EAT TOO MUCH, YOU CAN HAVE MY SUNDAE!

WAIT A MINUTE, CAROL... SPLUFF!

FLOP



I'VE CHANGED MY MIND, GRUESOME! I WILL RIDE WITH YOU! I CERTAINLY DON'T WANT TO BE A BURDEN ON DILLY ANY LONGER!

B..BUT CAROL, I DIDN'T MEAN...

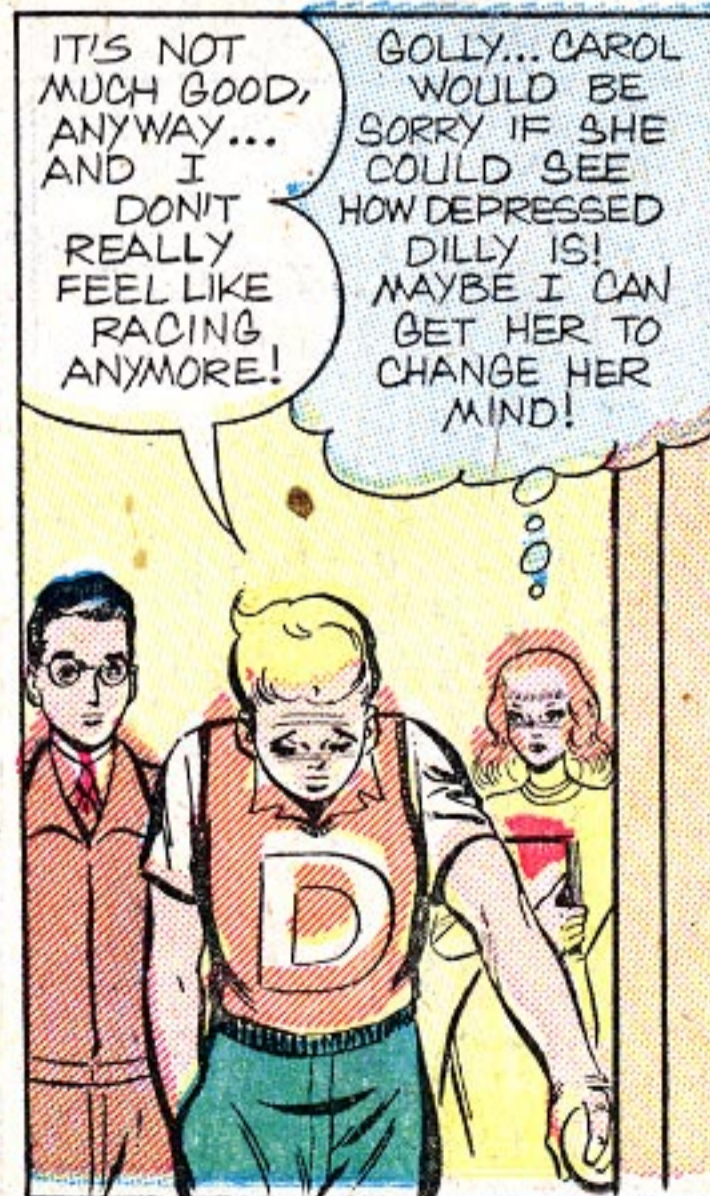
SHUT UP AND EAT YOUR SUNDAE, DUNCAN!



WELL, THAT DOES IT! I HAVEN'T EVEN GOT A RIDER ANY MORE! I MIGHT AS WELL QUIT!

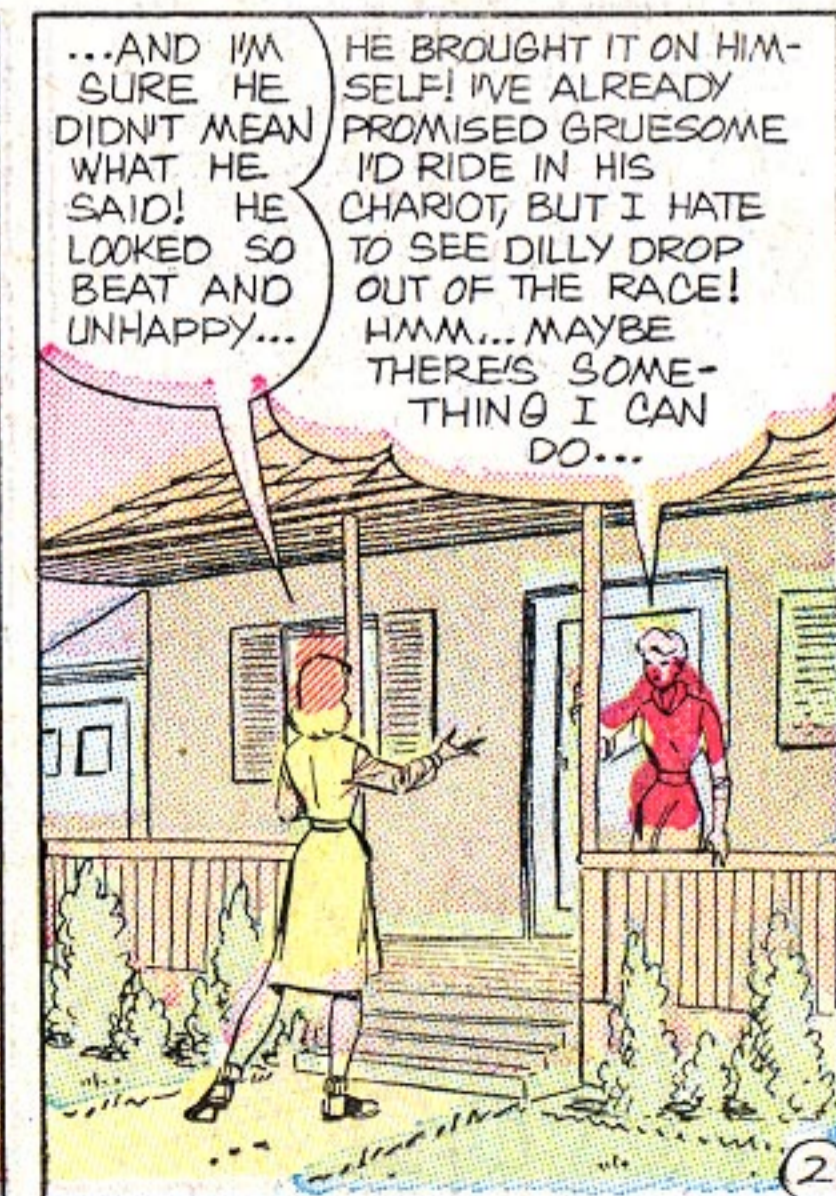
BUT YOU'VE ALMOST FINISHED BUILDING YOUR CHARIOT!

POOR DILLY...



IT'S NOT MUCH GOOD, ANYWAY... AND I DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE RACING ANYMORE!

GOLLY... CAROL WOULD BE SORRY IF SHE COULD SEE HOW DEPRESSED DILLY IS! MAYBE I CAN GET HER TO CHANGE HER MIND!

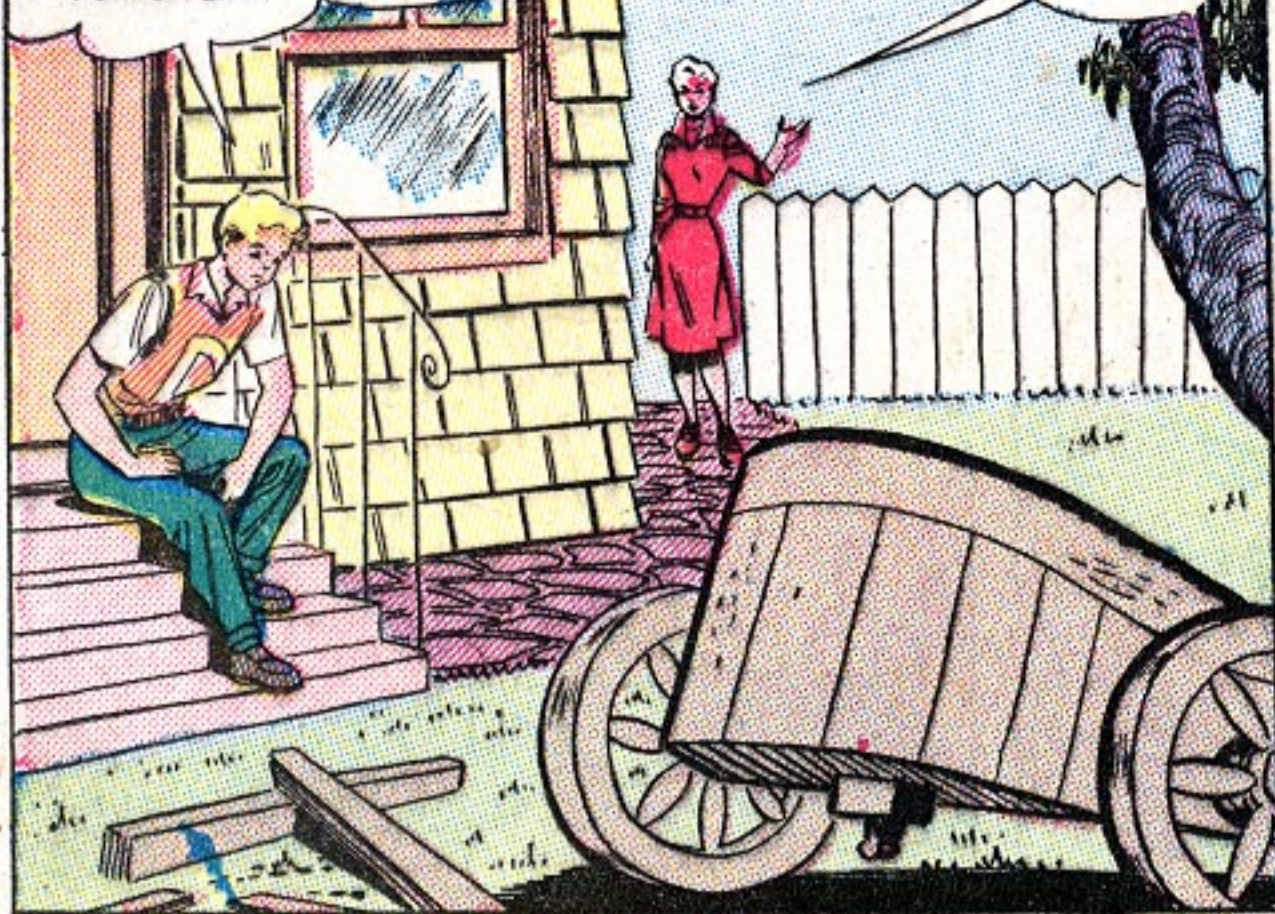


...AND I'M SURE HE DIDN'T MEAN WHAT HE SAID! HE LOOKED SO BEAT AND UNHAPPY...

HE BROUGHT IT ON HIMSELF! I'VE ALREADY PROMISED GRUESOME I'D RIDE IN HIS CHARIOT, BUT I HATE TO SEE DILLY DROP OUT OF THE RACE! HMM... MAYBE THERE'S SOMETHING I CAN DO...

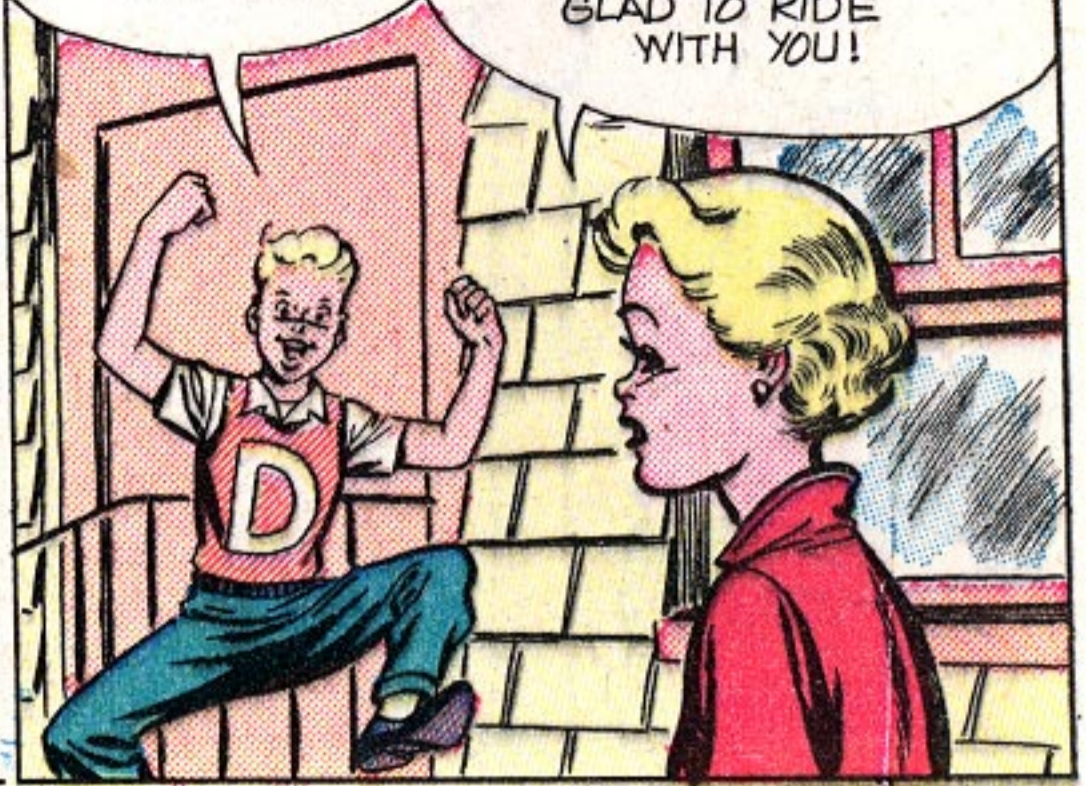
WOMEN! A MAN CAN'T TRUST ANY OF 'EM! THEY'LL ALWAYS KICK YOU WHEN YOU'RE DOWN— AND THEN LEAVE YOU LYING IN THE DUST! I'M THROUGH WITH THEM FOREVER!

OH, DILLY!



CAROL! I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T FAIL ME! WE'LL BEAT 'EM ALL! I CAN'T MISS WITH YOU IN MY CHARIOT! BOY, OH, BOY!

TAKE IT EASY, DILLY! I'M STILL RIDING WITH GRUESOME, BUT MY COUSIN JEANNIE'S COMING TO TOWN FOR THE WEEKEND, AND I'M SURE SHE'LL BE GLAD TO RIDE WITH YOU!



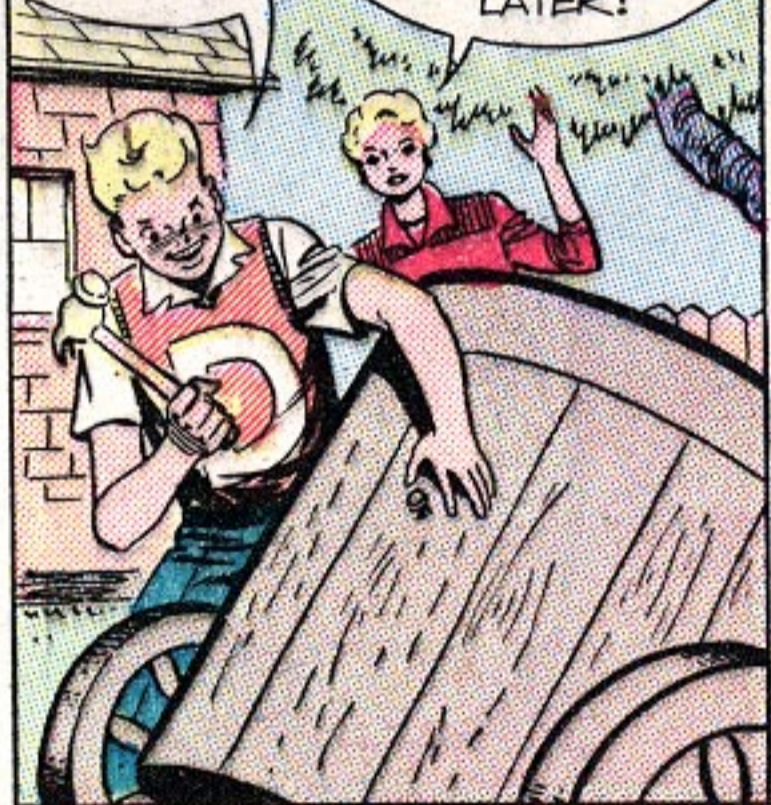
OH, YOUR COUSIN, HUH? WELL, THAT'S BETTER THAN BEING ALL ALONE, I GUESS! IS SHE PRETTY?

SURE! SHE'S TWICE AS PRETTY AS I AM! AND TWICE AS SMART! AND SHE'S GOT TWICE AS GOOD A FIGURE!



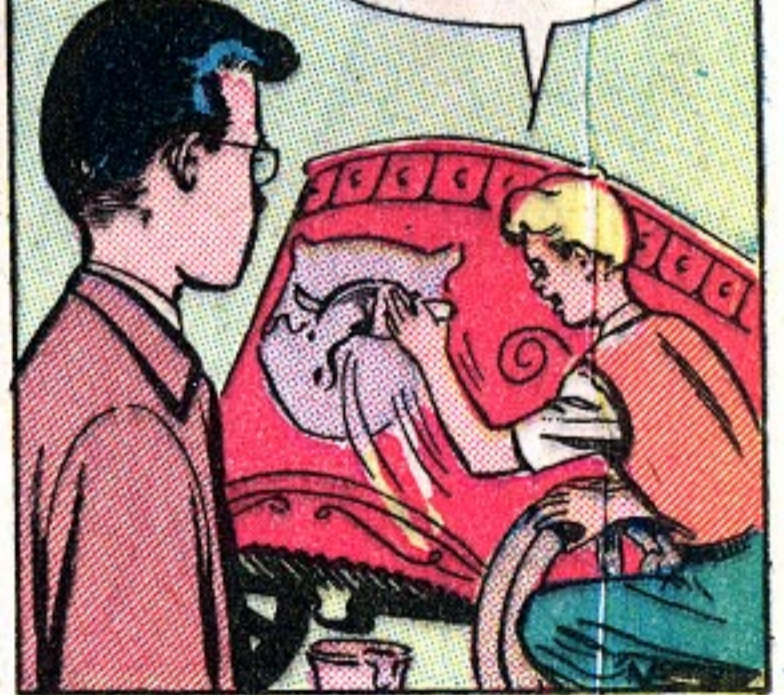
GEE! SHE SOUNDS PRETTY KEEN! I'D BETTER HURRY UP AND FINISH MY CHARIOT!

JEANNIE'S COMING IN ON THE TRAIN TONIGHT! C'MON OVER AFTER SUPPER AND MEET HER! SEE YOU LATER!



WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU? I THOUGHT YOU'D HAVE THAT ALL CHOPPED UP BY NOW!

CAROL'S FIXED ME UP WITH HER COUSIN! SHE'S TWICE AS GOOD-LOOKING AS CAROL, AND TWICE AS SMART! I'M GONNA HAVE THE PRETTIEST CLEOPATRA THIS SCHOOL EVER SAW!



DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE ONE GIRL WHEN SHE SAYS ANOTHER ONE IS PRETTY? GIRLS ARE ALL WET WHEN IT COMES TO JUDGING BEAUTY!

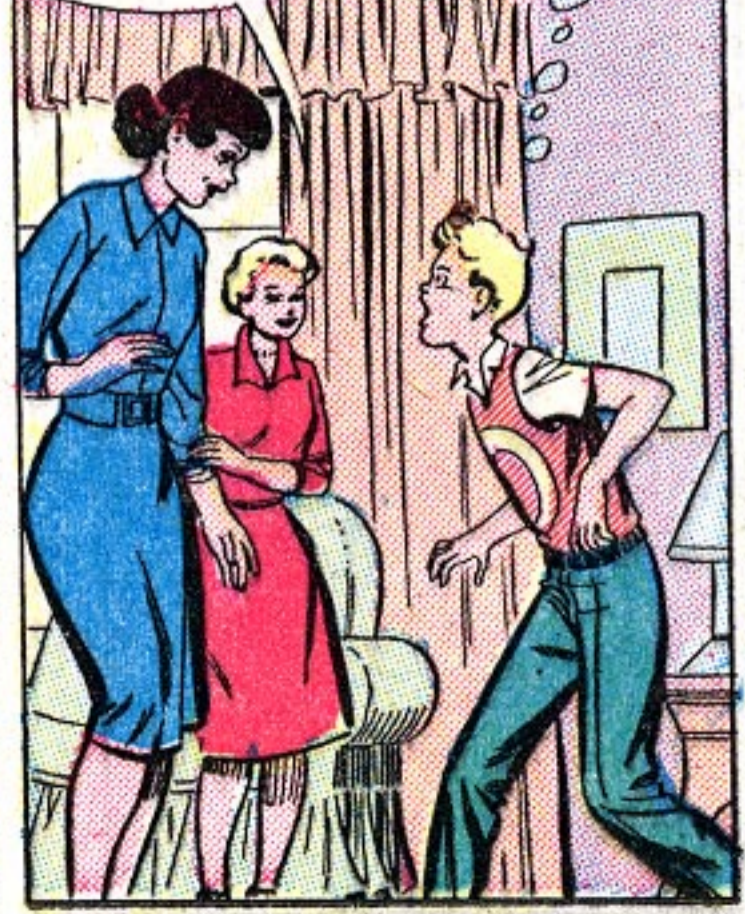
DON'T WORRY, CAROL'S A SMART GIRL! YOU'RE GONNA SEE A GIRL WHO'S TWICE AS SHARP AS ANYBODY YOU EVER SAW BEFORE! MARK MY WORDS!



AND THAT EVENING ...

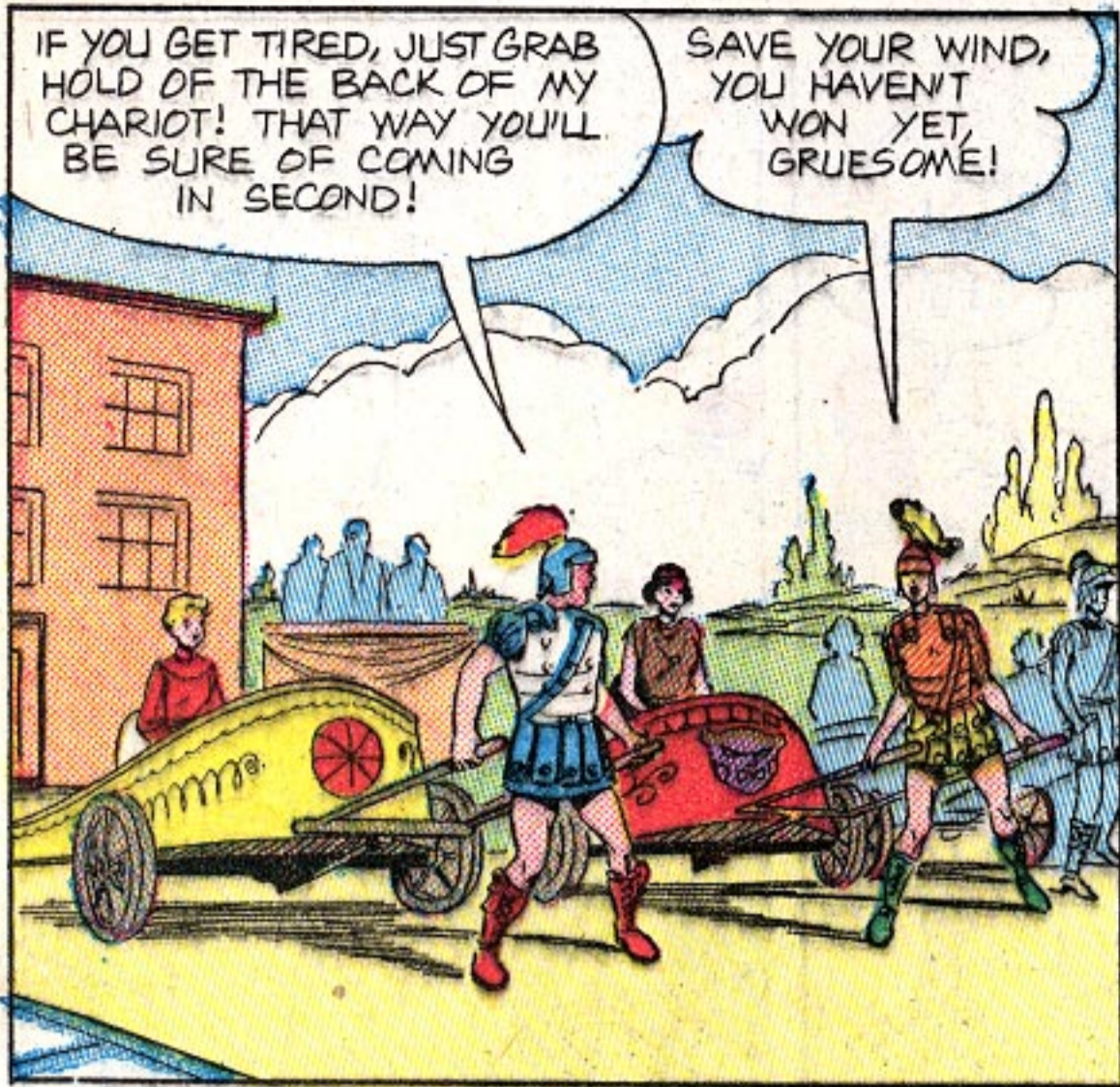
THIS IS MY COUSIN, JEANNIE HALL!

YOWWWW! SHE'S TWICE AS BIG, TOO!



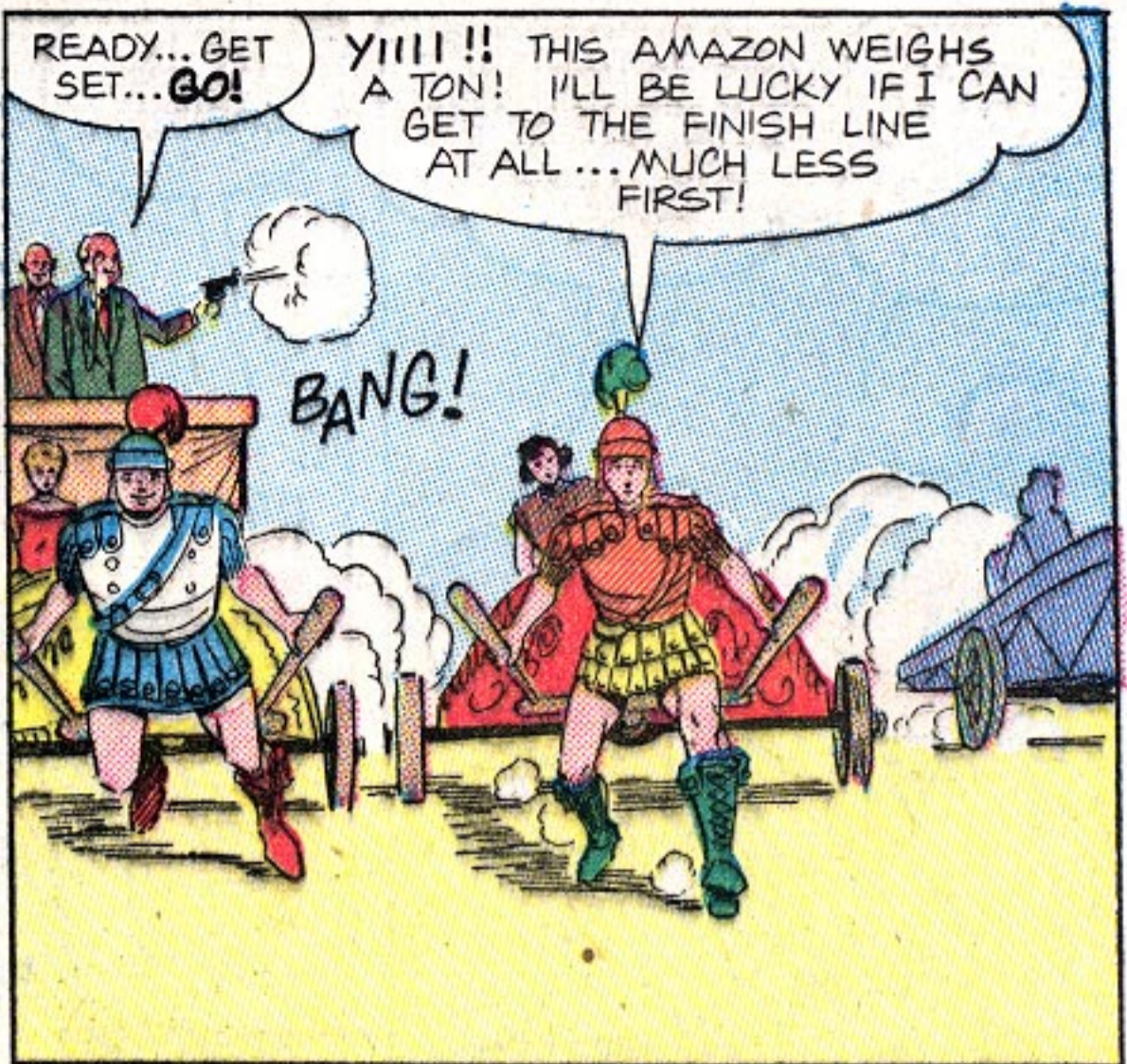
DON'T LOOK SO DISCOURAGED, DILLY! CAROL TOLD ME THAT THIS JONES CHARACTER ALWAYS WINS, BUT WE'LL KNOCK THE SOCKS OFF OF HIM! BUCK UP, CEASAR!





IF YOU GET TIRED, JUST GRAB HOLD OF THE BACK OF MY CHARIOT! THAT WAY YOU'LL BE SURE OF COMING IN SECOND!

SAVE YOUR WIND, YOU HAVEN'T WON YET, GRUESOME!



READY... GET SET... GO!

YIIII !! THIS AMAZON WEIGHS A TON! I'LL BE LUCKY IF I CAN GET TO THE FINISH LINE AT ALL ... MUCH LESS FIRST!

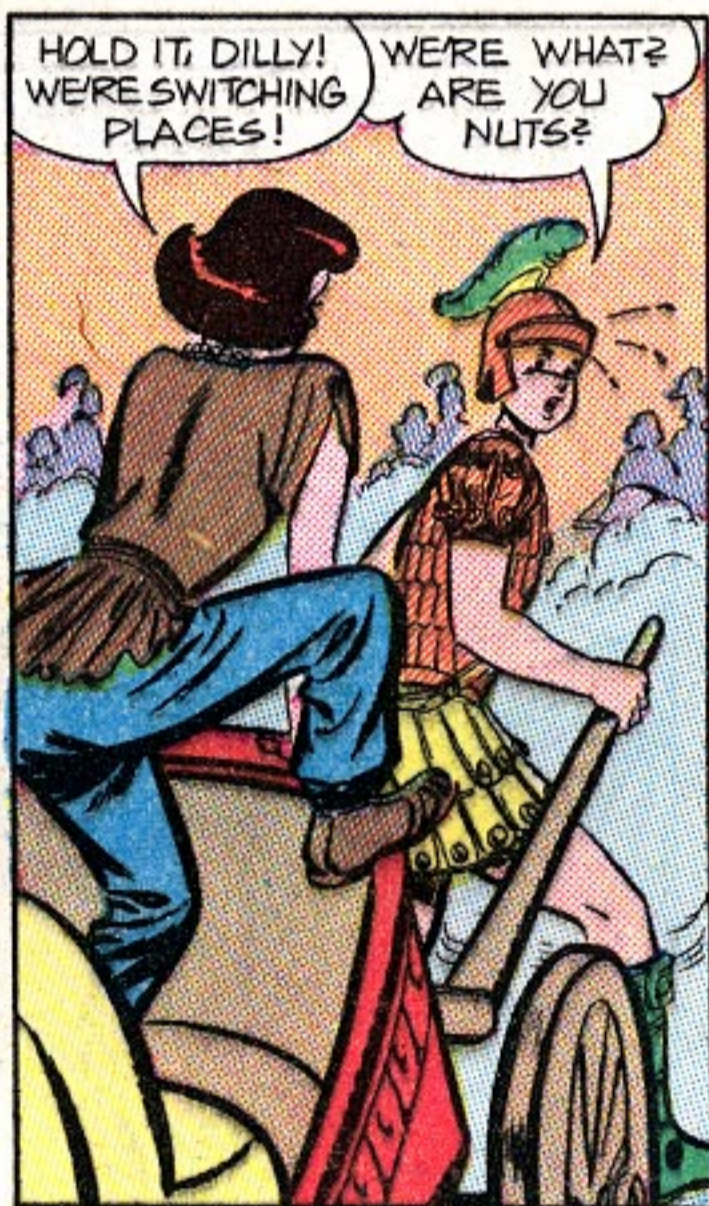
BANG!



GET A HORSE, DUNCAN! HAW! HAW!

YOUR PAL'S A REAL HUMORIST, ISN'T HE?

POOR DILLY...



HOLD IT, DILLY! WE'RE SWITCHING PLACES!

WE'RE WHAT? ARE YOU NUTS?



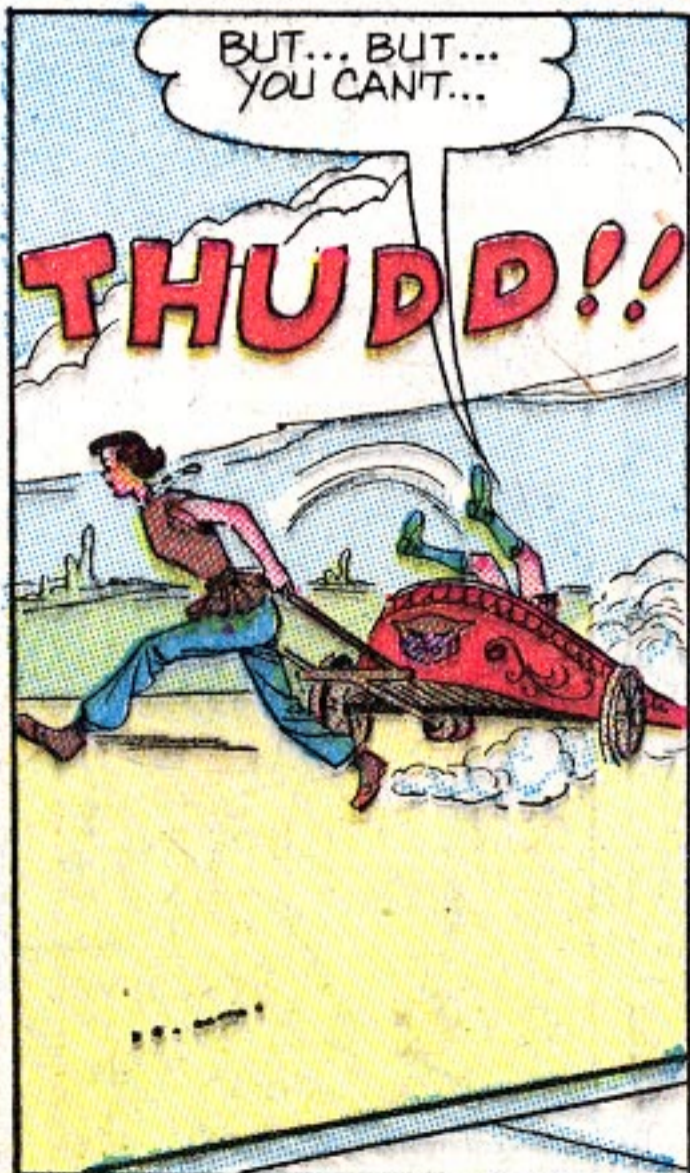
HEY! PUT ME DOWN! LEMME GO!

I'M NOT GONNA LET THAT BIG TUB OF LARD HUMILIATE US LIKE THIS! GET BACK IN THE SEAT!



BUT... BUT... YOU'RE A GIRL! YOU CAN'T... YOWPP!

HANG ON, BUSTER! WE'RE HEADING FOR THE BARN!



BUT... BUT... YOU CAN'T...

THUDD!!



HEY! WHO... WHAT... WHY... HOW... WHAT'S GOING ON??

WE ARE! WE'RE GOING ON WAY PAST YOU, BLUBBER BOY!



BUT... BUT... YOU'RE ALL MIXED UP! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE BACK!

RELAX, BUCKY! YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT MORE DISAPPOINTMENTS BEFORE THIS DAY'S OVER!



WELL, I'LL BE DARNED...

PUFF! PUFF! PUFF!



I'VE BEEN GYPED! I'VE BEEN SWINDLED! DUNCAN'S SUPPOSED TO PULL THE CHARIOT!

I'VE GOT ALL THE RULES RIGHT HERE! I'LL CHECK THEM!

TOUGH LUCK, PAL! MAYBE YOU CAN GET A JOB PULLING A MILK WAGON!



THERE'S NO RULE AGAINST THE GIRL PULLING THE CHARIOT!

I'LL FIX HIM!

GET BACK, JEANNIE! THIS IS MY JOB!



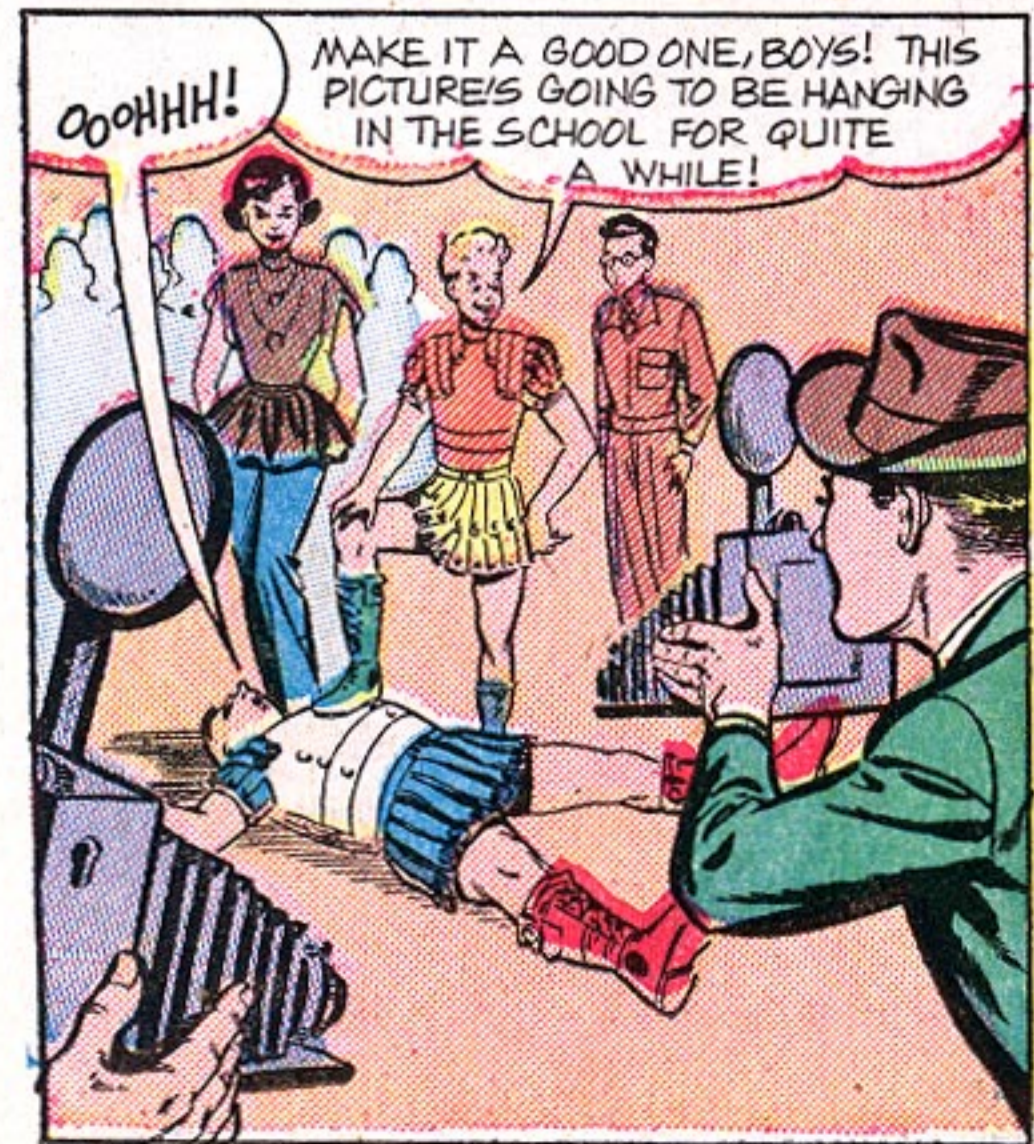
WHEN YOU SHINE MY SHOES, GRUESOME, BE SURE AND USE BROWN POLISH!

I'LL SHINE YOUR HEAD WITH THAT SIDEWALK, DUNCAN... WHOOFF!



WHAT TH...

WHY DON'T YOU LIE DOWN A WHILE, GRUESOME! YOU MUST BE TIRED AFTER ALL THAT EXERTION!



OooHHH!

MAKE IT A GOOD ONE, BOYS! THIS PICTURE'S GOING TO BE HANGING IN THE SCHOOL FOR QUITE A WHILE!



LATER... NOT BAD...

GET YOUR BACK INTO THAT FANNING, SLAVE! YOU'RE NOT WAVING AT YOUR GIRL, YOU KNOW!

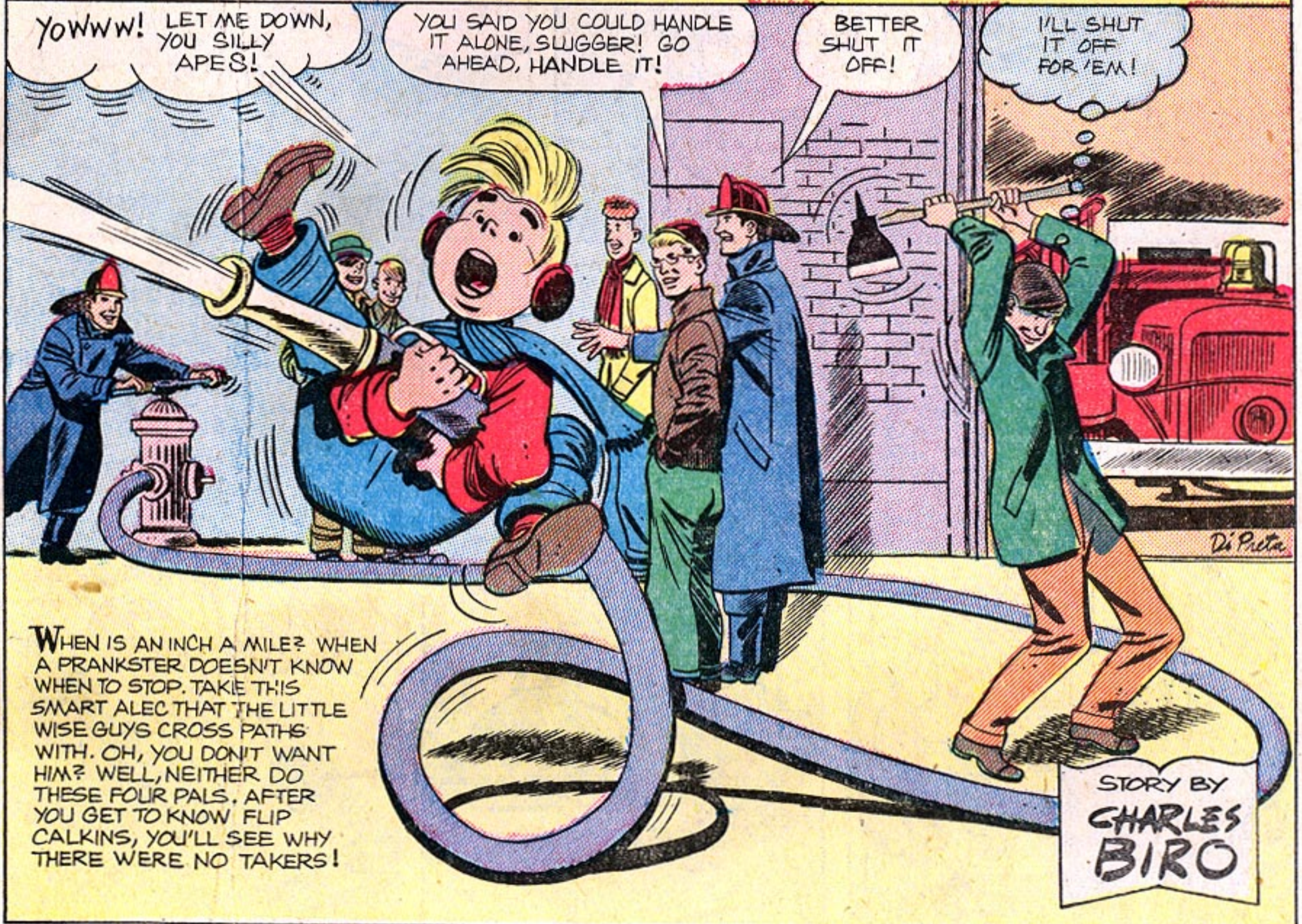
AAAGGHHH!

DILLY REALLY TRIUMPHED IN THE CHARIOT RACE, BUT INSTEAD OF RESTING ON HIS LAURELS HE SHOULD BE SITTING ON THE EDGE OF HIS SEAT, BECAUSE GRUESOME IS REALLY ON HIS TOES IN THE JANUARY ISSUE OF DAREDEVIL! WATCH FOR IT!

THE END

# The **LITTLE WISE GUYS**

IN "WHAT'S SO FUNNY NOW?"



YOWWW! LET ME DOWN, YOU SILLY APES!

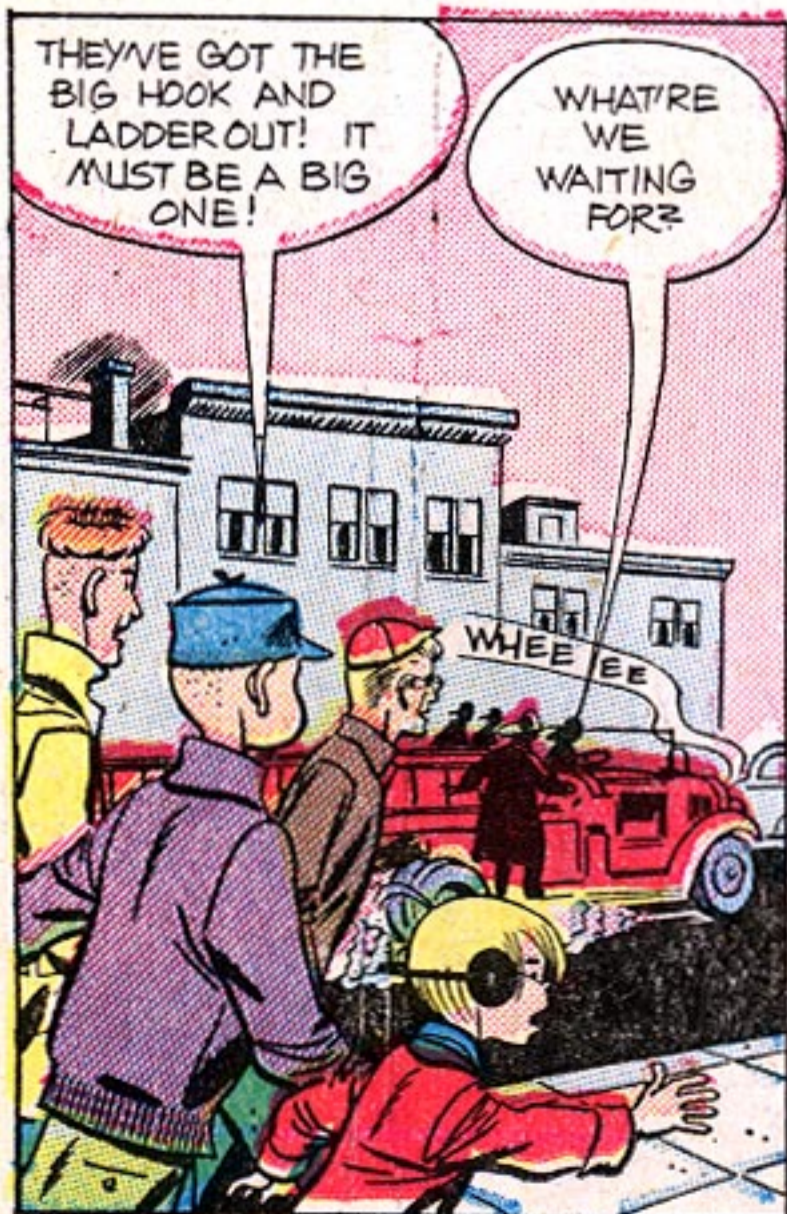
YOU SAID YOU COULD HANDLE IT ALONE, SLUGGER! GO AHEAD, HANDLE IT!

BETTER SHUT IT OFF!

I'LL SHUT IT OFF FOR 'EM!

WHEN IS AN INCH A MILE? WHEN A PRANKSTER DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO STOP. TAKE THIS SMART ALEC THAT THE LITTLE WISE GUYS CROSS PATHS WITH. OH, YOU DON'T WANT HIM? WELL, NEITHER DO THESE FOUR PALS. AFTER YOU GET TO KNOW FLIP CALKINS, YOU'LL SEE WHY THERE WERE NO TAKERS!

STORY BY  
**CHARLES BIRO**



THEY'VE GOT THE BIG HOOK AND LADDER OUT! IT MUST BE A BIG ONE!

WHAT'RE WE WAITING FOR?



SORRY, KIDS! I CAN'T LET YOU COME ANY CLOSER!

GEE!

WAIT HERE, FELLAS!



COFFEE FOR THE FIREMEN! TAKE ONE YOURSELF!

YOU'RE QUITE A LITTLE PROMOTER, AREN'T YOU? WELL...THEY'RE FINISHED NOW...I GUESS IT'S OKAY... THANKS!





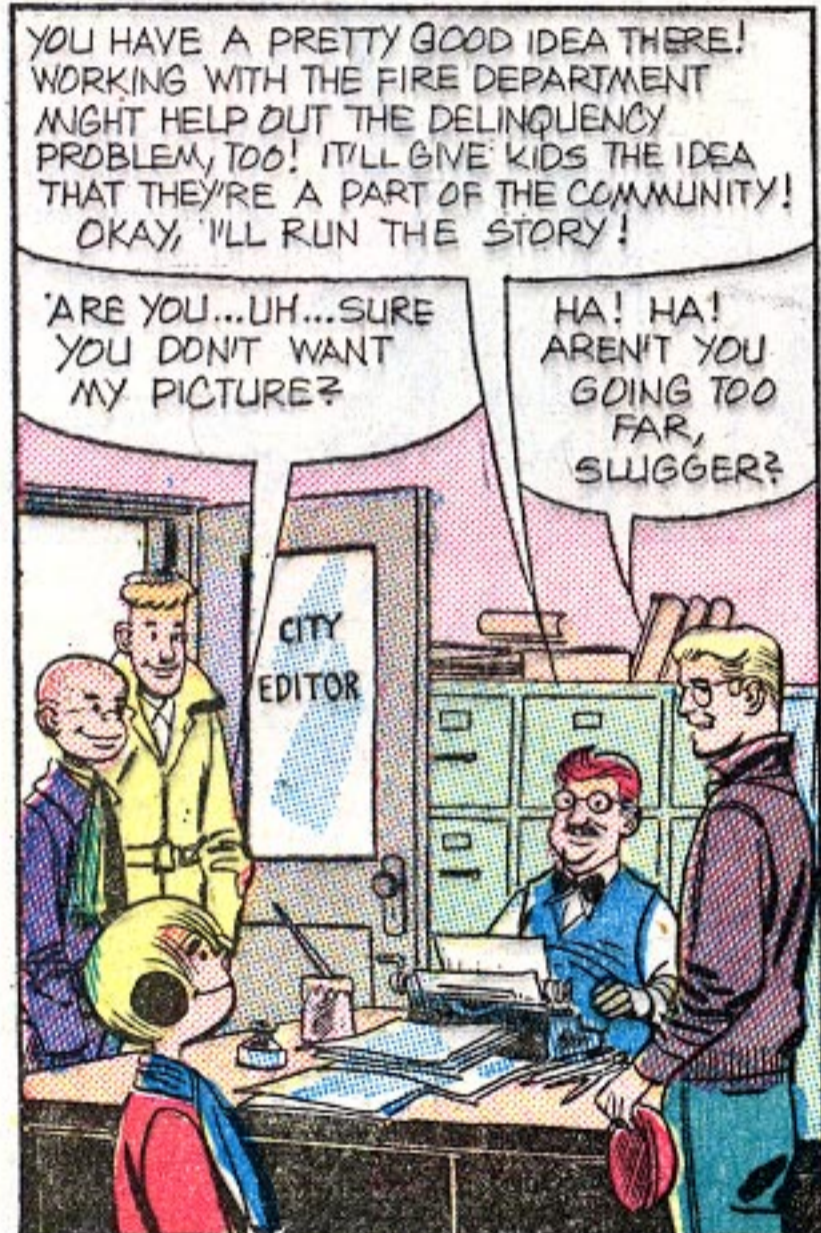
THANKS, KIDS! THIS SURE TASTES GOOD ON A COLD DAY LIKE THIS! THIS IS THE TENTH CALL WE'VE BEEN ON TODAY! WE'RE EVEN MORE SHORTHANDED THAN USUAL THIS WINTER!

WHY DON'T YOU SET UP A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT? ALL THE KIDS WOULD LOVE TO HELP!



THAT'S NOT A BAD IDEA! OKAY, IF YOU KIDS WILL GET A BUNCH TOGETHER, WE'LL TRAIN YOU!

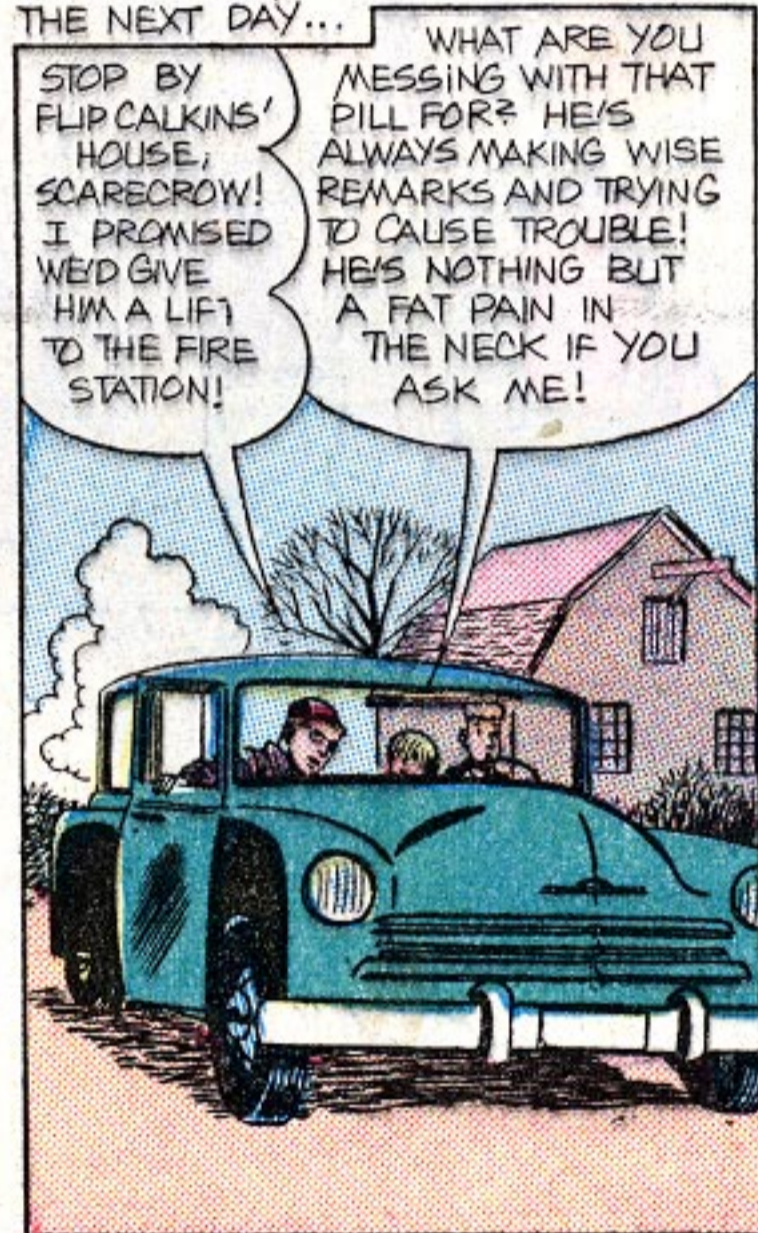
YIPPEE! LET'S SEE IF WE CAN GET A STORY IN THE NEWSPAPER! THAT'S THE FASTEST WAY TO TELL ALL THE KIDS IN TOWN!



YOU HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA THERE! WORKING WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MIGHT HELP OUT THE DELINQUENCY PROBLEM, TOO! IT'LL GIVE KIDS THE IDEA THAT THEY'RE A PART OF THE COMMUNITY! OKAY, I'LL RUN THE STORY!

'ARE YOU...UH...SURE YOU DON'T WANT MY PICTURE?'

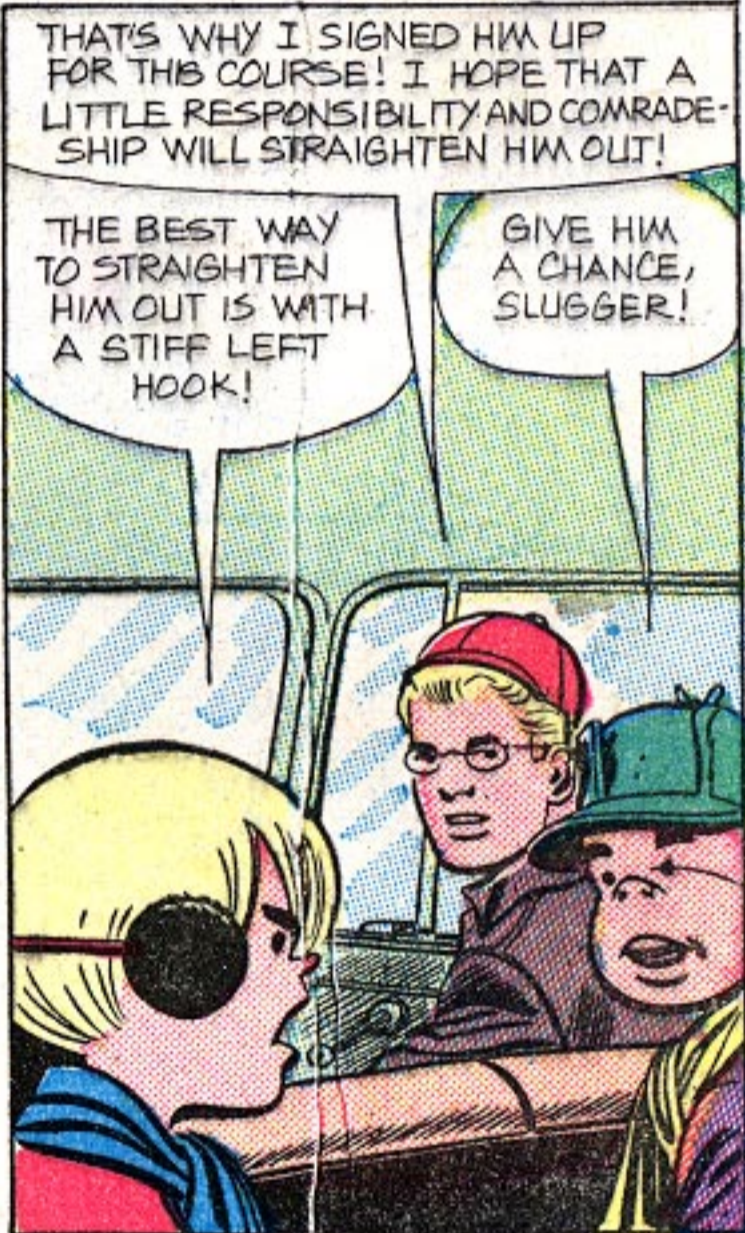
HA! HA! AREN'T YOU GOING TOO FAR, SLUGGER?



THE NEXT DAY...

STOP BY FLIP CALKINS' HOUSE, SCARECROW! I PROMISED WE'D GIVE HIM A LIFT TO THE FIRE STATION!

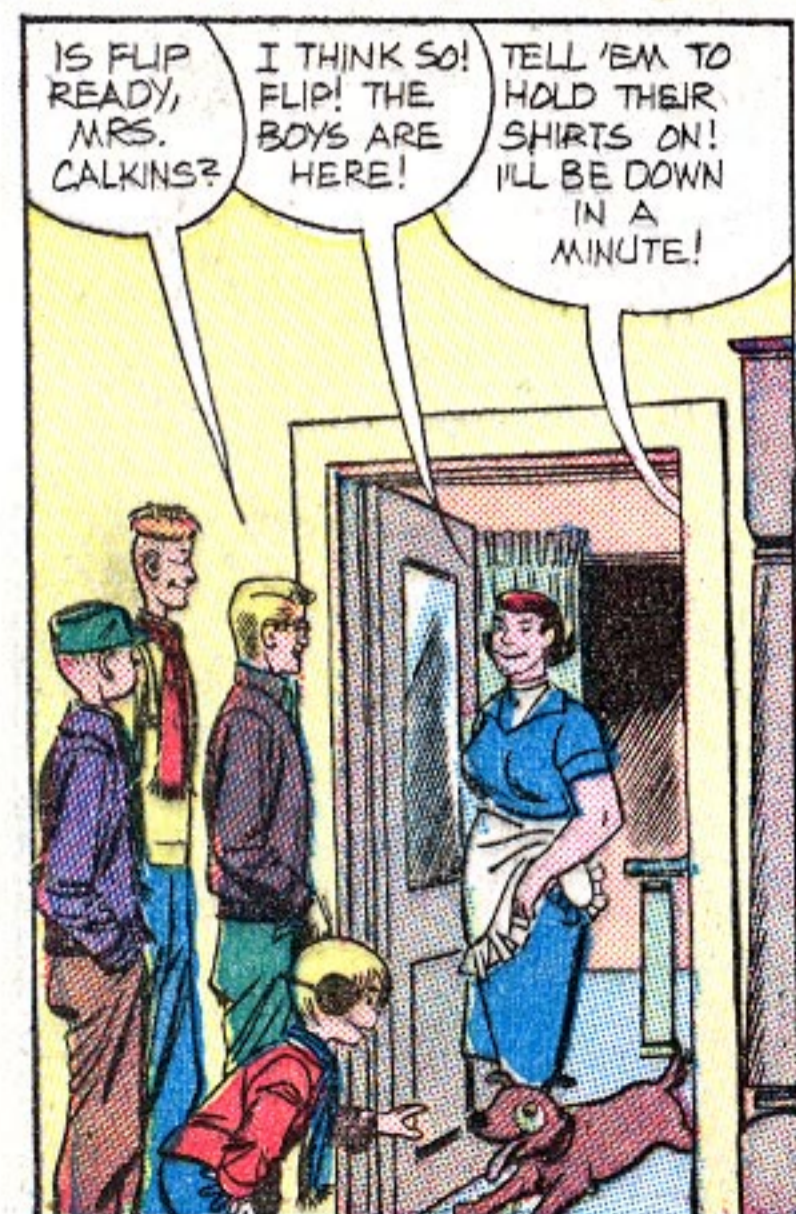
WHAT ARE YOU MESSING WITH THAT PILL FOR? HE'S ALWAYS MAKING WISE REMARKS AND TRYING TO CAUSE TROUBLE! HE'S NOTHING BUT A FAT PAIN IN THE NECK IF YOU ASK ME!



THAT'S WHY I SIGNED HIM UP FOR THIS COURSE! I HOPE THAT A LITTLE RESPONSIBILITY AND COMRADESHIP WILL STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT!

THE BEST WAY TO STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT IS WITH A STIFF LEFT HOOK!

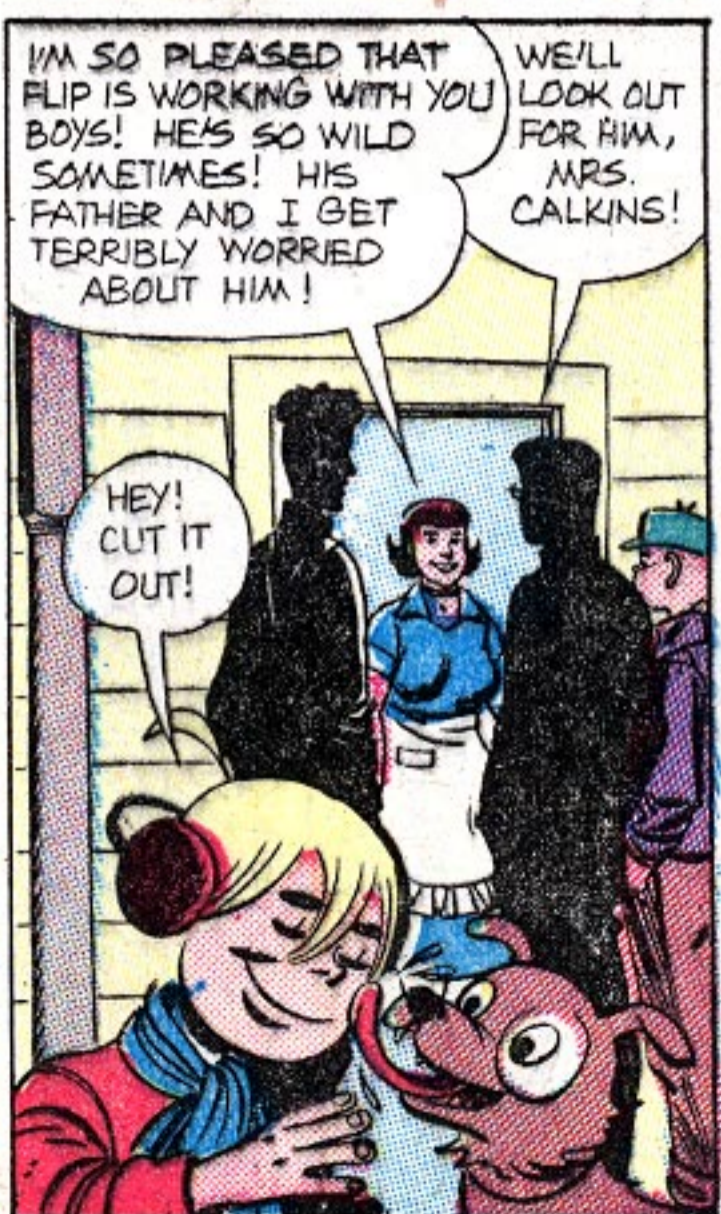
GIVE HIM A CHANCE, SLUGGER!



IS FLIP READY, MRS. CALKINS?

I THINK SO! FLIP! THE BOYS ARE HERE!

TELL 'EM TO HOLD THEIR SHIRTS ON! I'LL BE DOWN IN A MINUTE!



I'M SO PLEASED THAT FLIP IS WORKING WITH YOU BOYS! HE'S SO WILD SOMETIMES! HIS FATHER AND I GET TERRIBLY WORRIED ABOUT HIM!

WE'LL LOOK OUT FOR HIM, MRS. CALKINS!

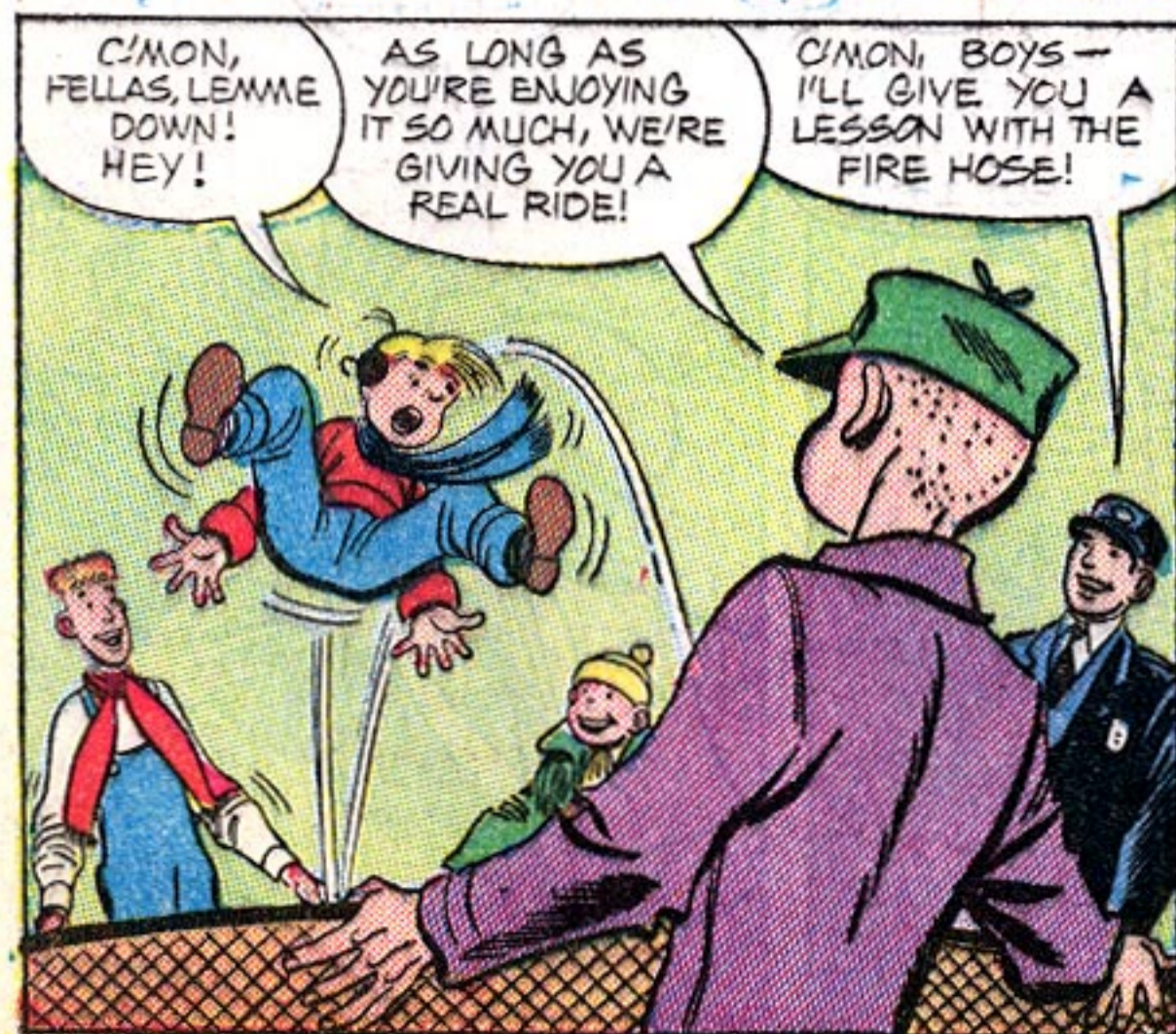
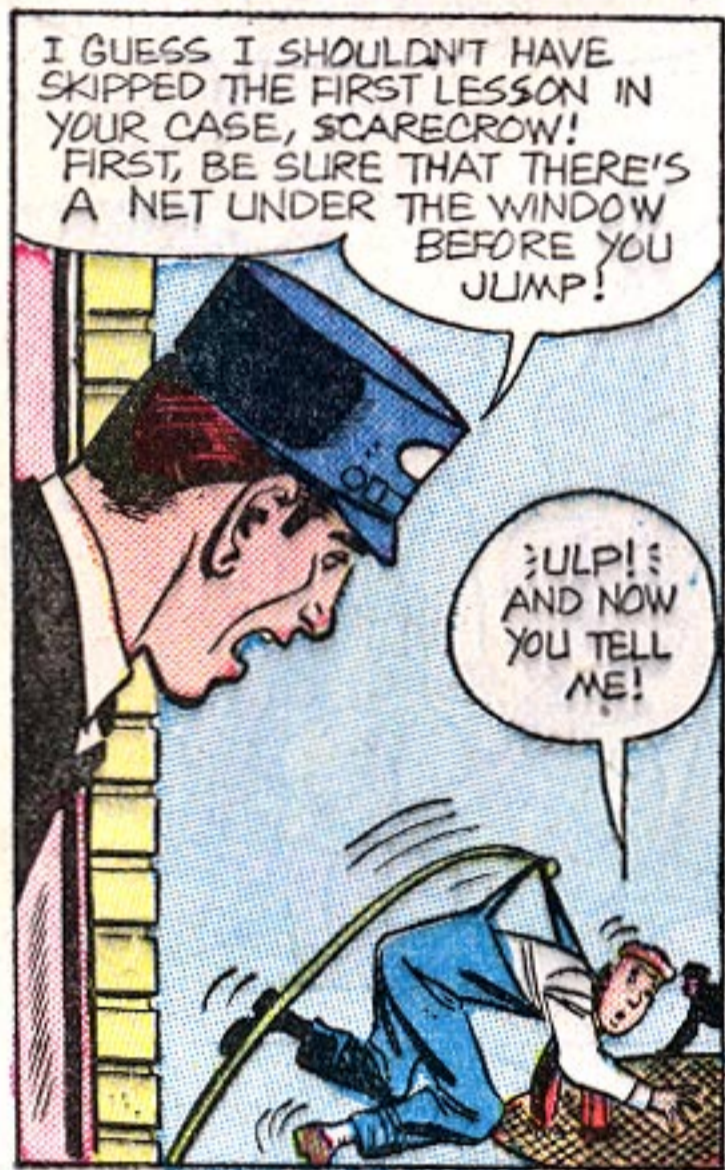
HEY! CUT IT OUT!

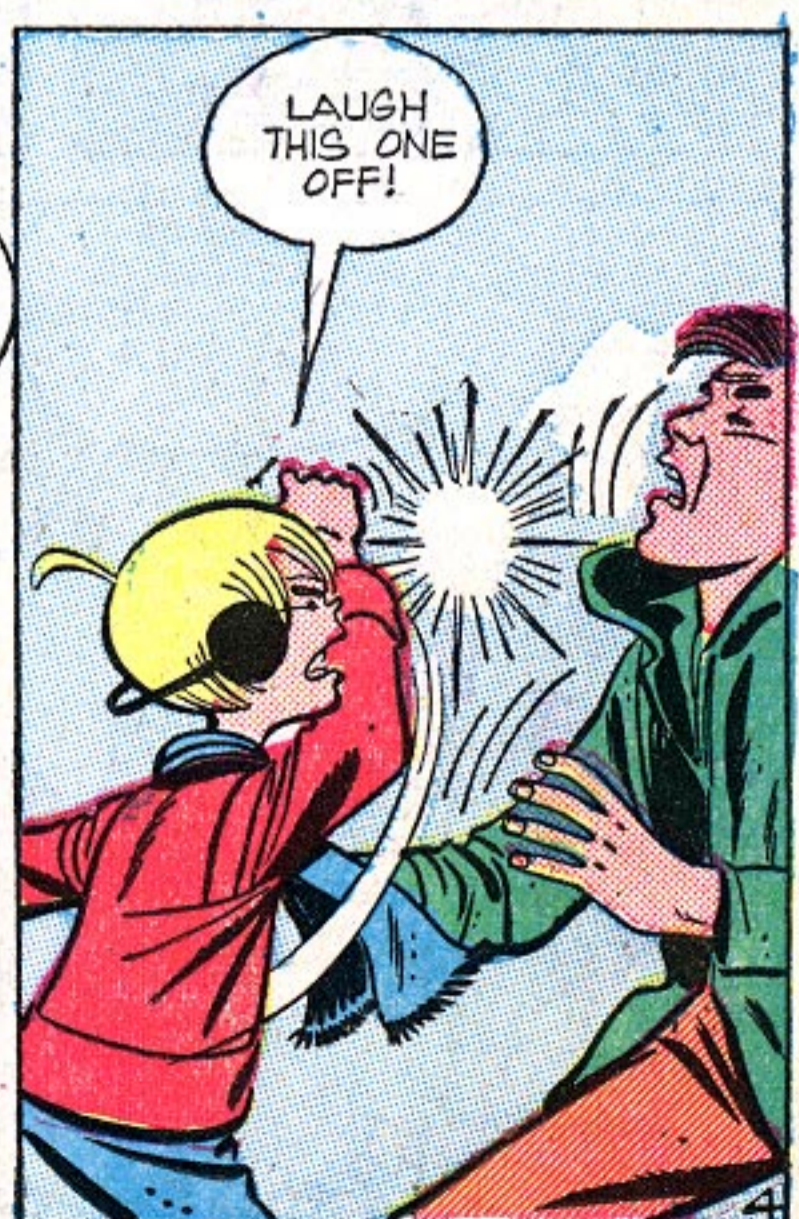
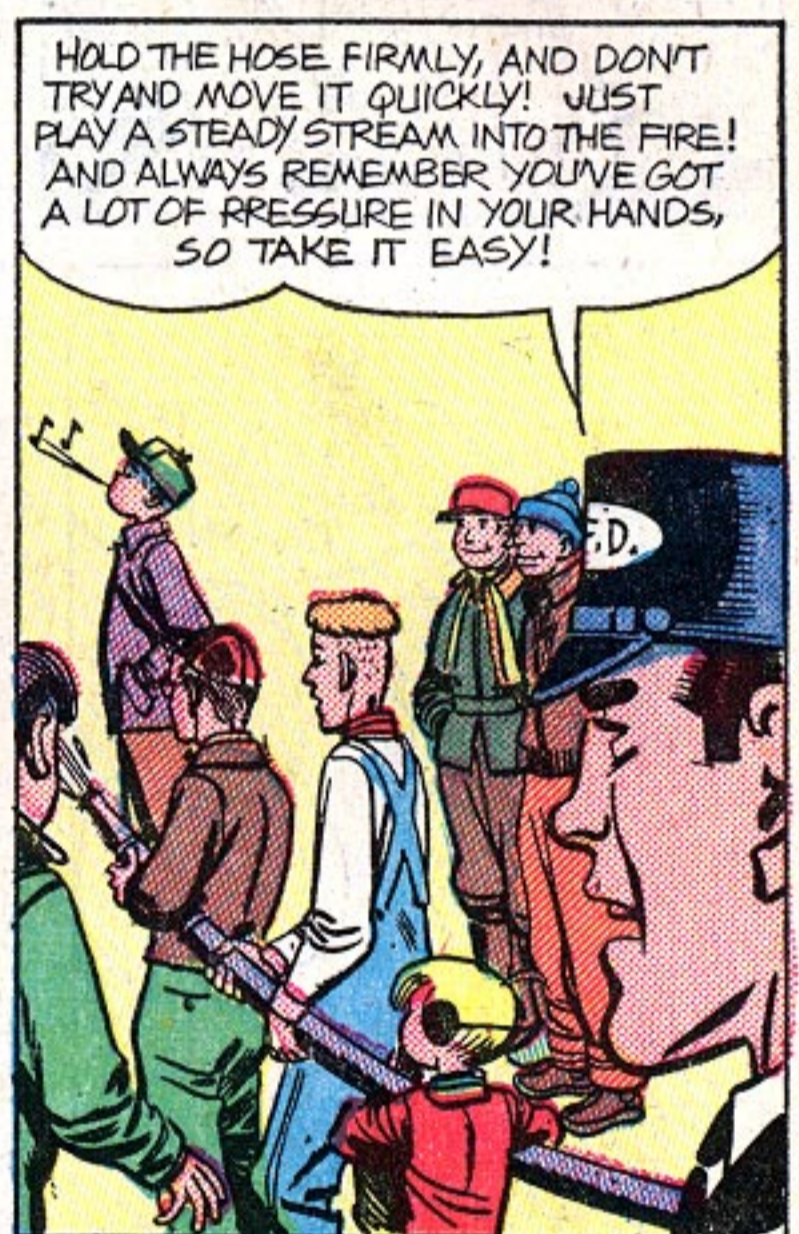
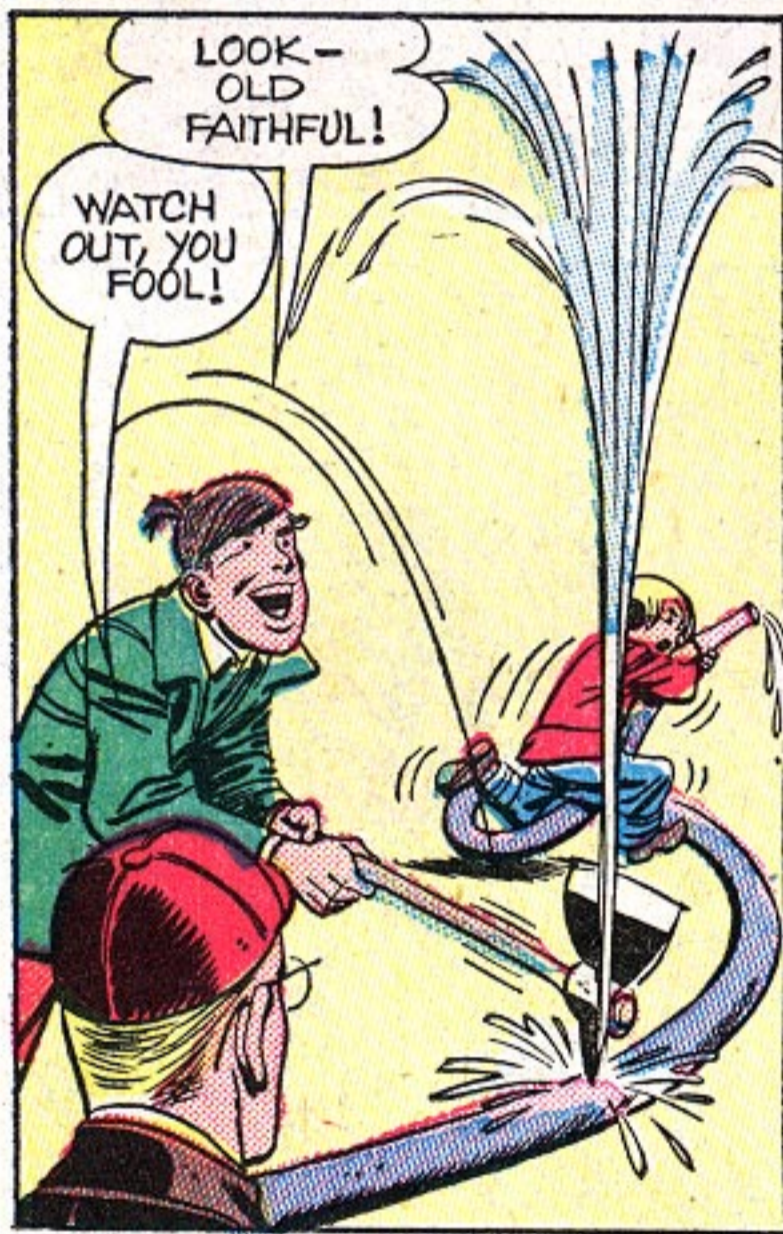


OKAY, I GOT MY RED SUSPENDERS ON - LET'S PUT THIS CRUMMY SHOW ON THE ROAD! I GUESS THAT LITTLE RUNT MUST BE YOUR MASCOT! I KNOW THIS HICK TOWN IS TOO CHEAP TO BUY A DOG!

WHY, YOU CRUMMY...

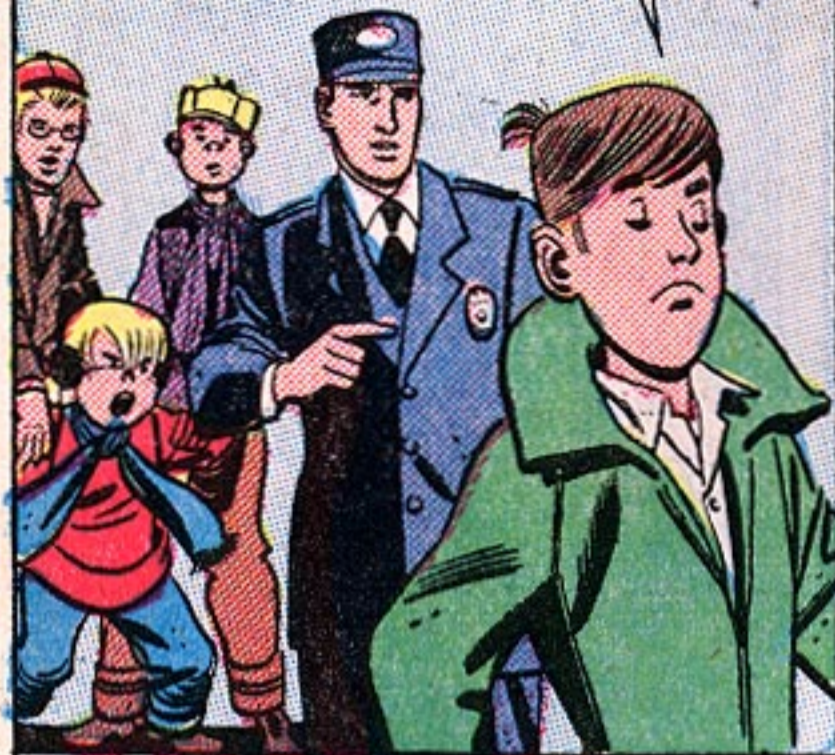
DON'T! DON'T, SLUGGER!



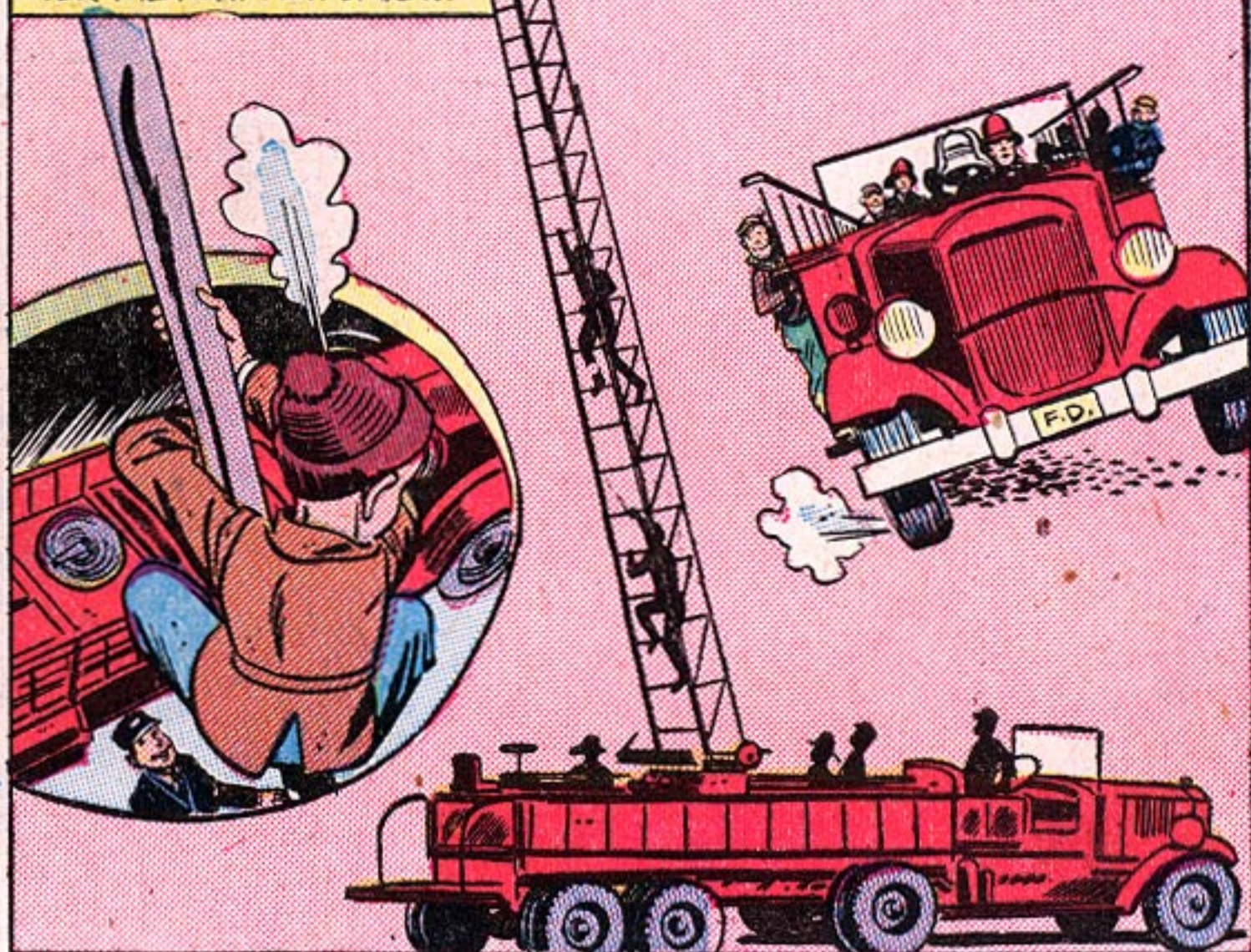


I'VE PUT UP WITH YOU AS LONG AS I CAN CALKINS, AND IF YOU AREN'T WILLING TO TAKE THIS MORE SERIOUSLY, YOU NEEDN'T COME BACK TOMORROW!

YOU'RE BREAKIN' MY HEART!



OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS...

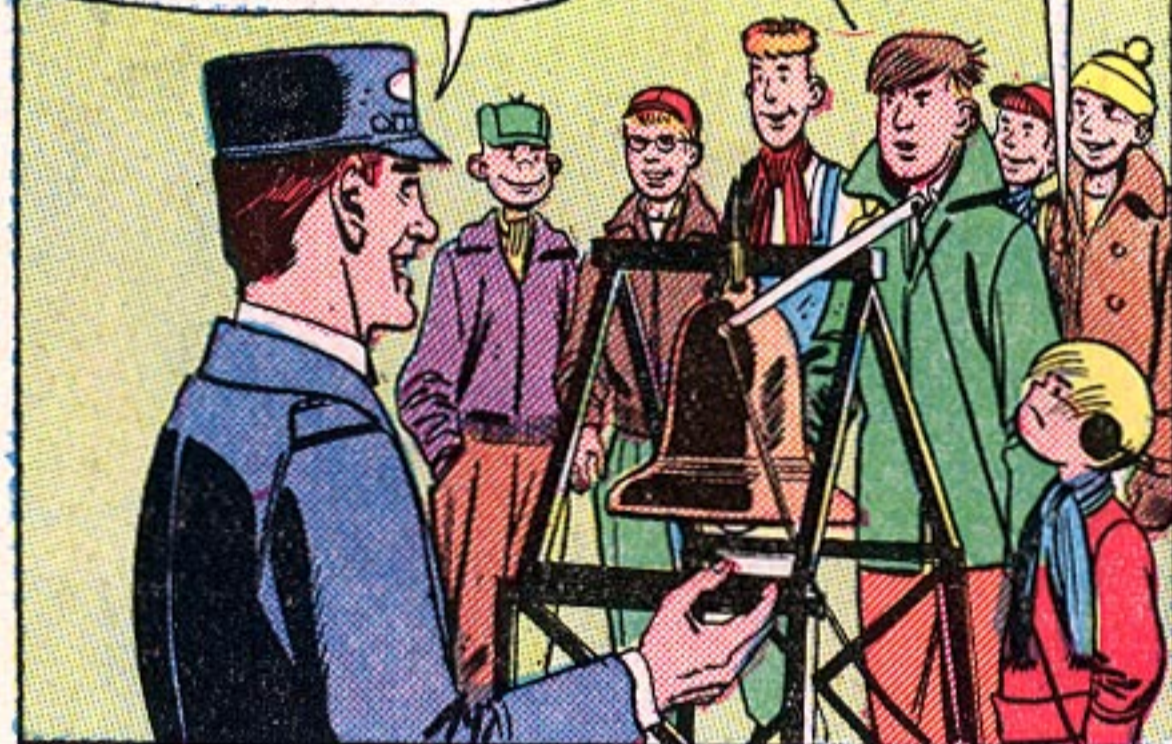


AND, FINALLY...

BEFORE YOU GRADUATE, I WANT TO SHOW YOU THE ALARM BELL THAT WILL CALL YOU TO DUTY! WHEN THIS BELL RINGS, YOU COME RUNNING!

SUPPOSE I'M ASLEEP!

DON'T WORRY, YOU WON'T BE MISSED!



OKAY, LADS, THAT'S ALL! WE'VE GOT TO TELL YOU! STEP RIGHT UP AND GET YOUR BADGES AND HATS!

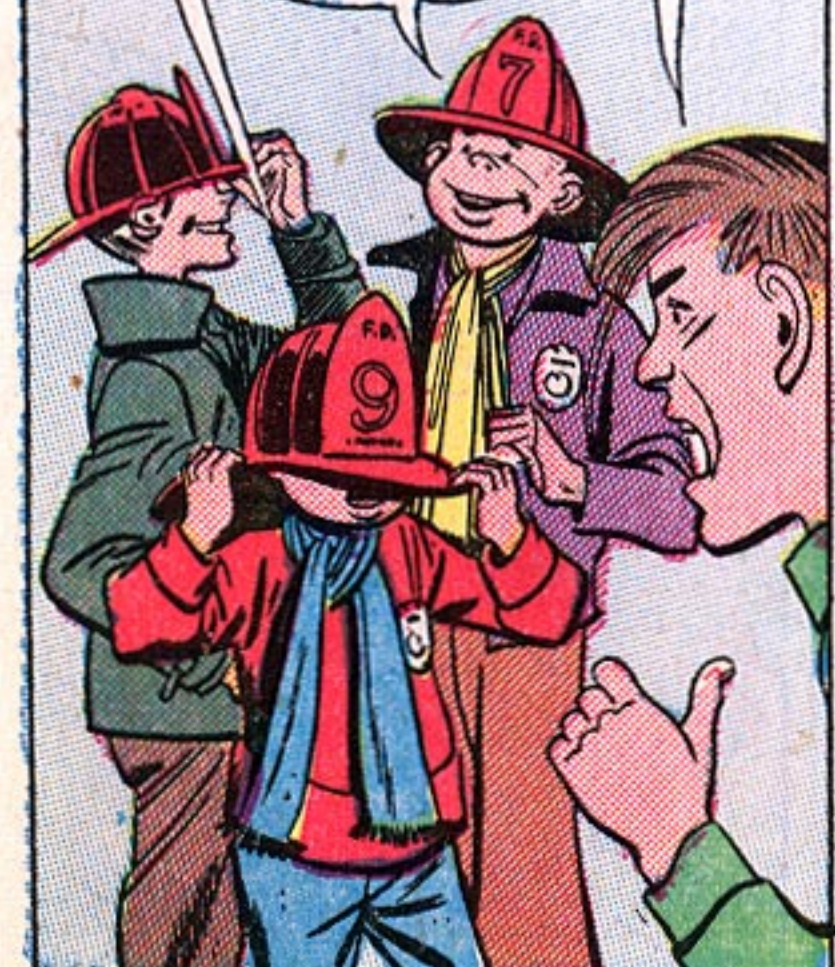
WHEN'S PAYDAY?



Oops!

YOU WON'T SEE A FIRE UNLESS SOMEBODY STARTS IT IN YOUR HAT!

WHERE'S MY BADGE?



I'M SORRY, CALKINS, BUT YOU DIDN'T QUALIFY FOR ONE! YOU NEVER PAID ANY ATTENTION TO MY INSTRUCTIONS, AND YOU CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE YOU COULD! WE DON'T WANT YOU!

DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE DISAPPOINTED! YOU NEVER ACTED LIKE YOU WANTED TO BE A FIREMAN, ANYWAY!



IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE AND DECIDE YOU'RE WILLING TO WORK, I'LL BE GLAD TO GIVE YOU ANOTHER CHANCE!

NUTS! NOBODY BUT A DOPE WOULD WANT ONE OF THOSE CRUMMY TIN BADGES, ANYWAY! SO LONG, PUNKS!

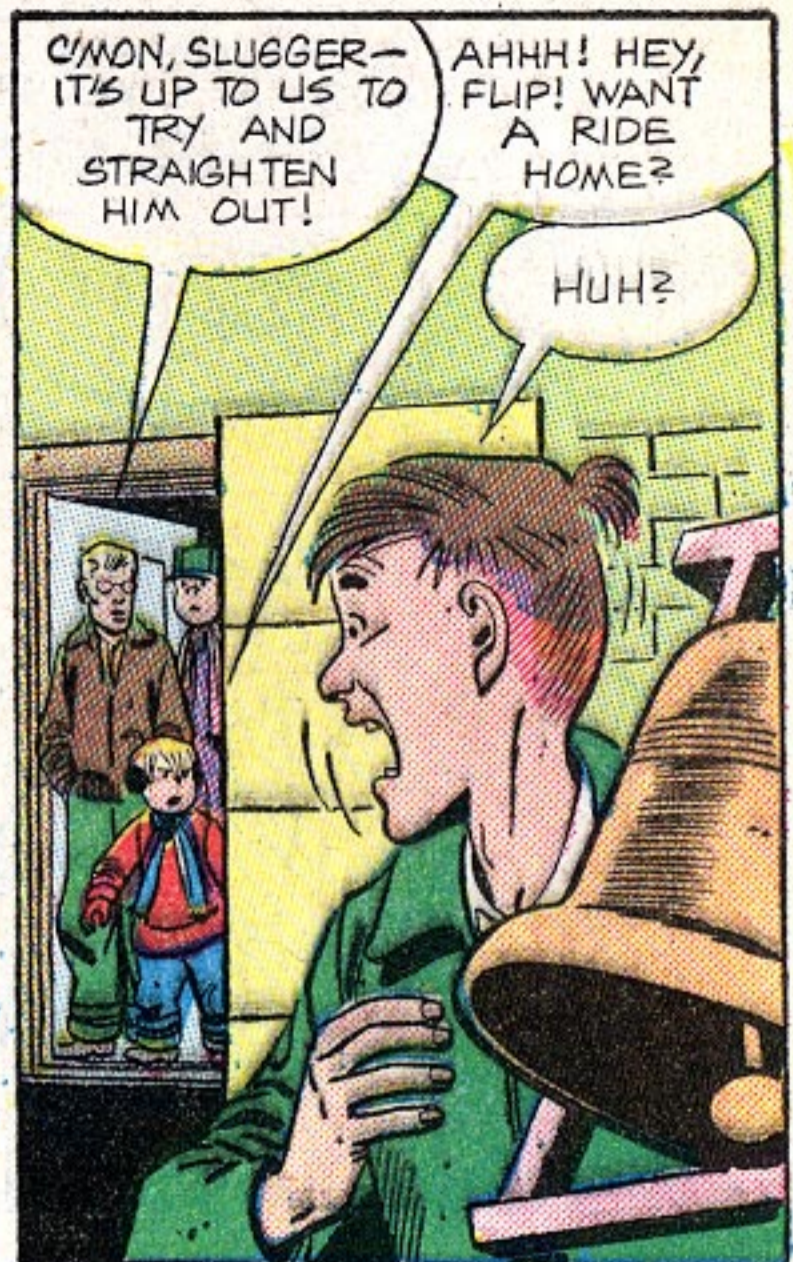




WHAT A LAUGH! I DONT KNOW WHY I GET MYSELF TALKED INTO FOOLIN' AROUND WITH THOSE SQUARES, ANYHOW! WHAT A BUNCH OF DEADHEADS! I DONT GIVE A DARN ABOUT THEIR CRUMMY BADGES!



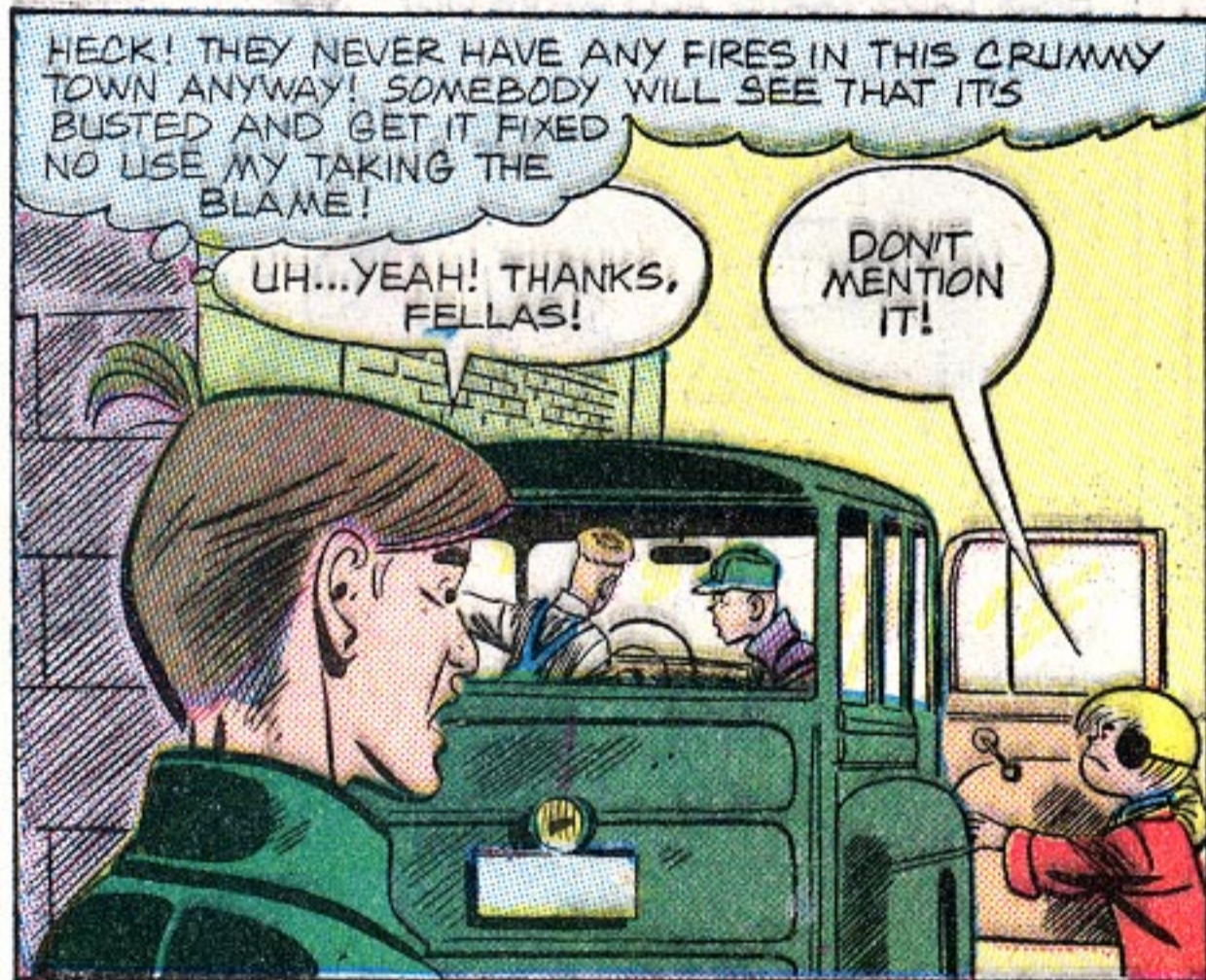
OH, OH! I BUSTED IT! I WONDER IF ANYBODY SAW ME... GEE, THEY'D REALLY TAKE ME APART FOR THAT! MAYBE I OUGHTA TELL 'EM...



C'MON, SLUGGER— IT'S UP TO US TO TRY AND STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT!

AHHH! HEY, FLIP! WANT A RIDE HOME?

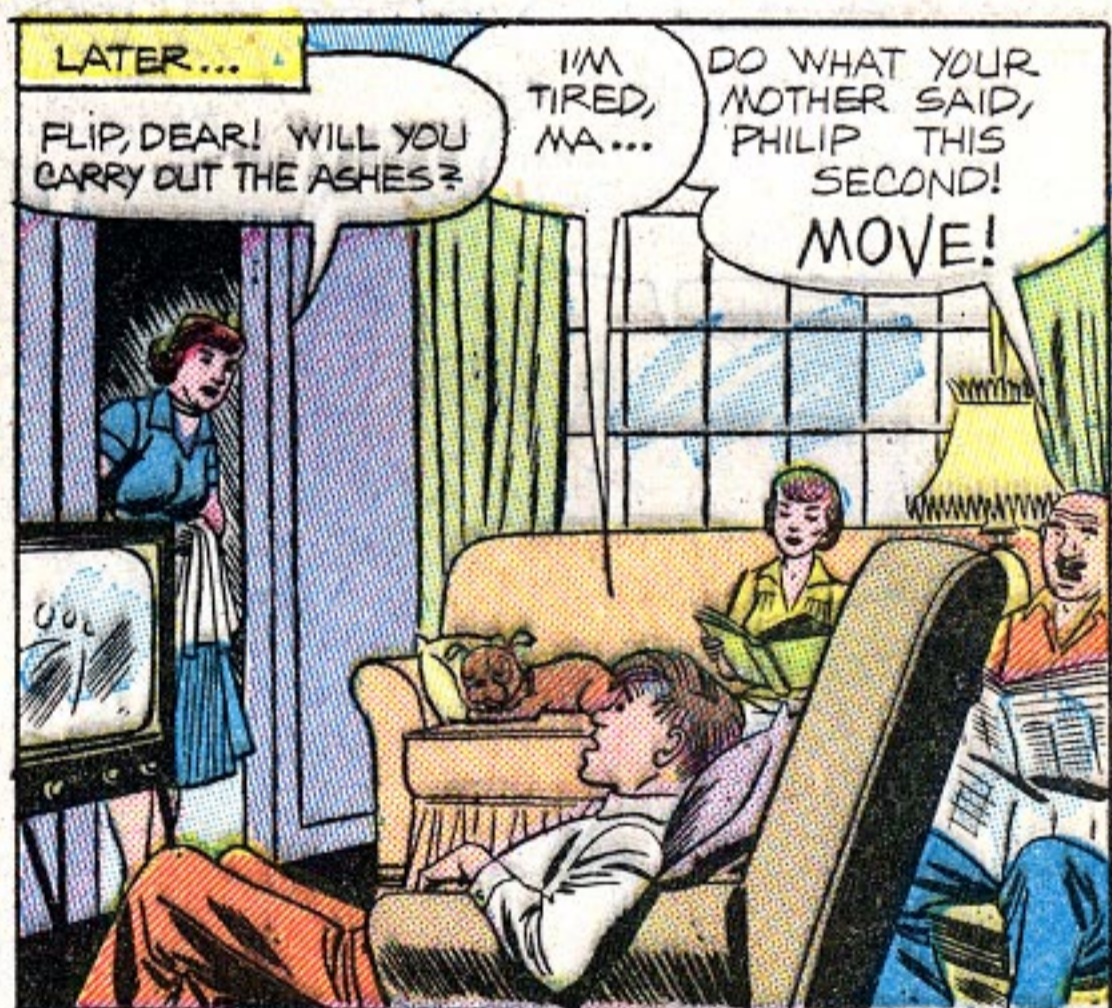
HUH?



HECK! THEY NEVER HAVE ANY FIRES IN THIS CRUMMY TOWN ANYWAY! SOMEBODY WILL SEE THAT IT'S BUSTED AND GET IT FIXED NO USE MY TAKING THE BLAME!

UH...YEAH! THANKS, FELLAS!

DONT MENTION IT!



LATER...

FLIP, DEAR! WILL YOU CARRY OUT THE ASHES?

I'M TIRED, MA...

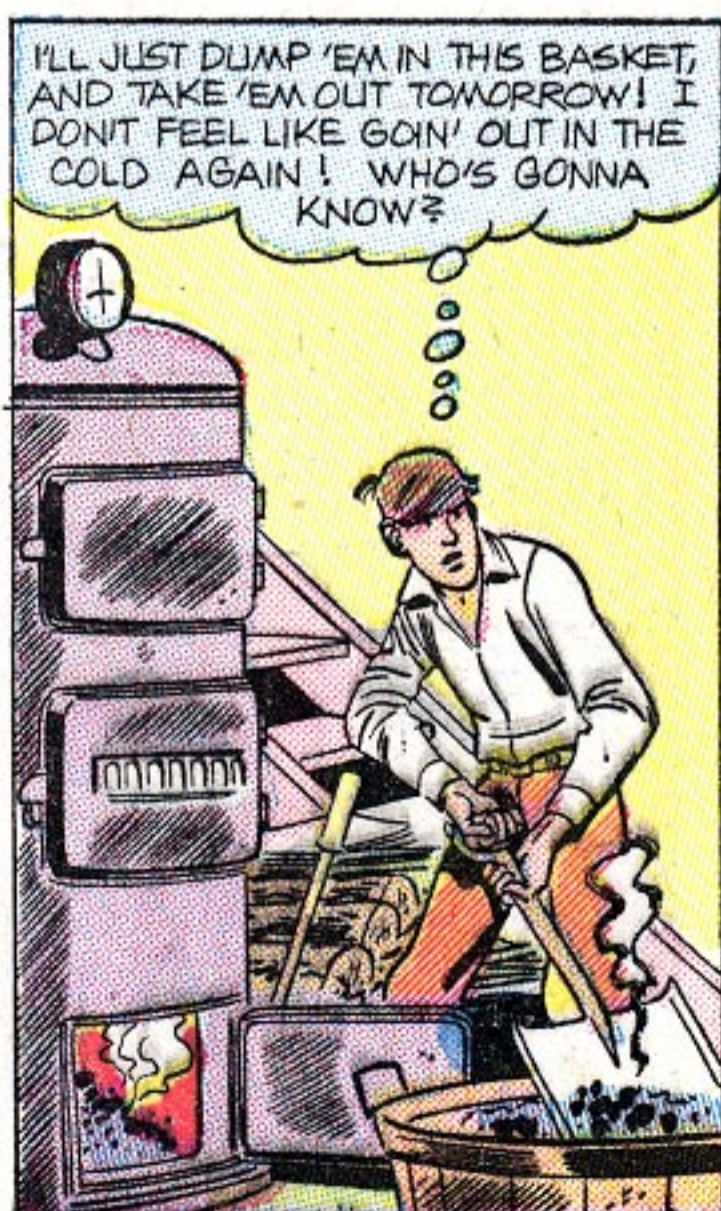
DO WHAT YOUR MOTHER SAID, PHILIP THIS SECOND! MOVE!



OKAY, OKAY! DAD I'M GOING, OKAY I SAID!

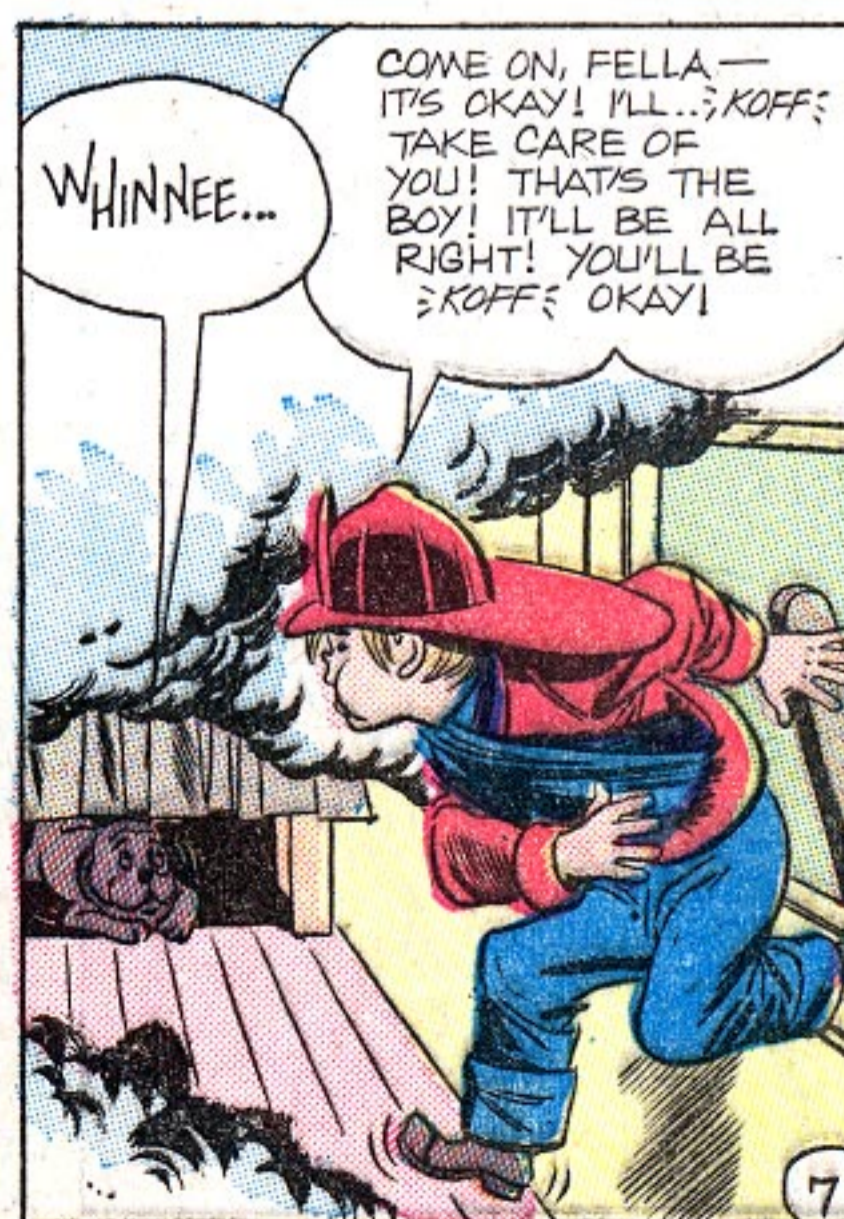
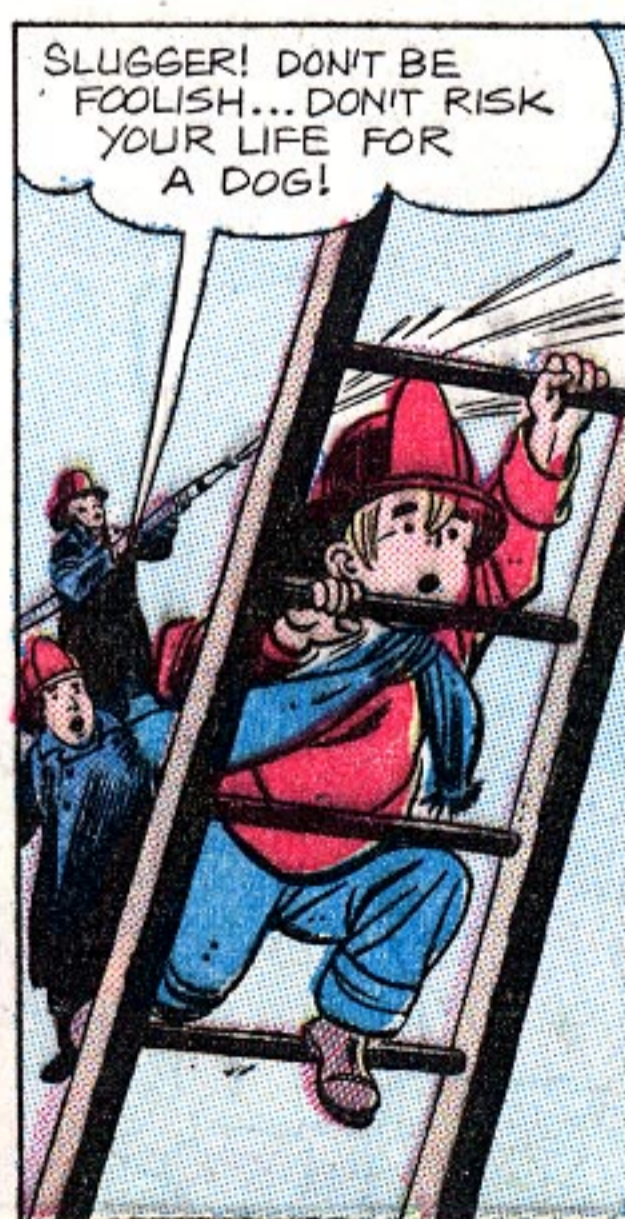
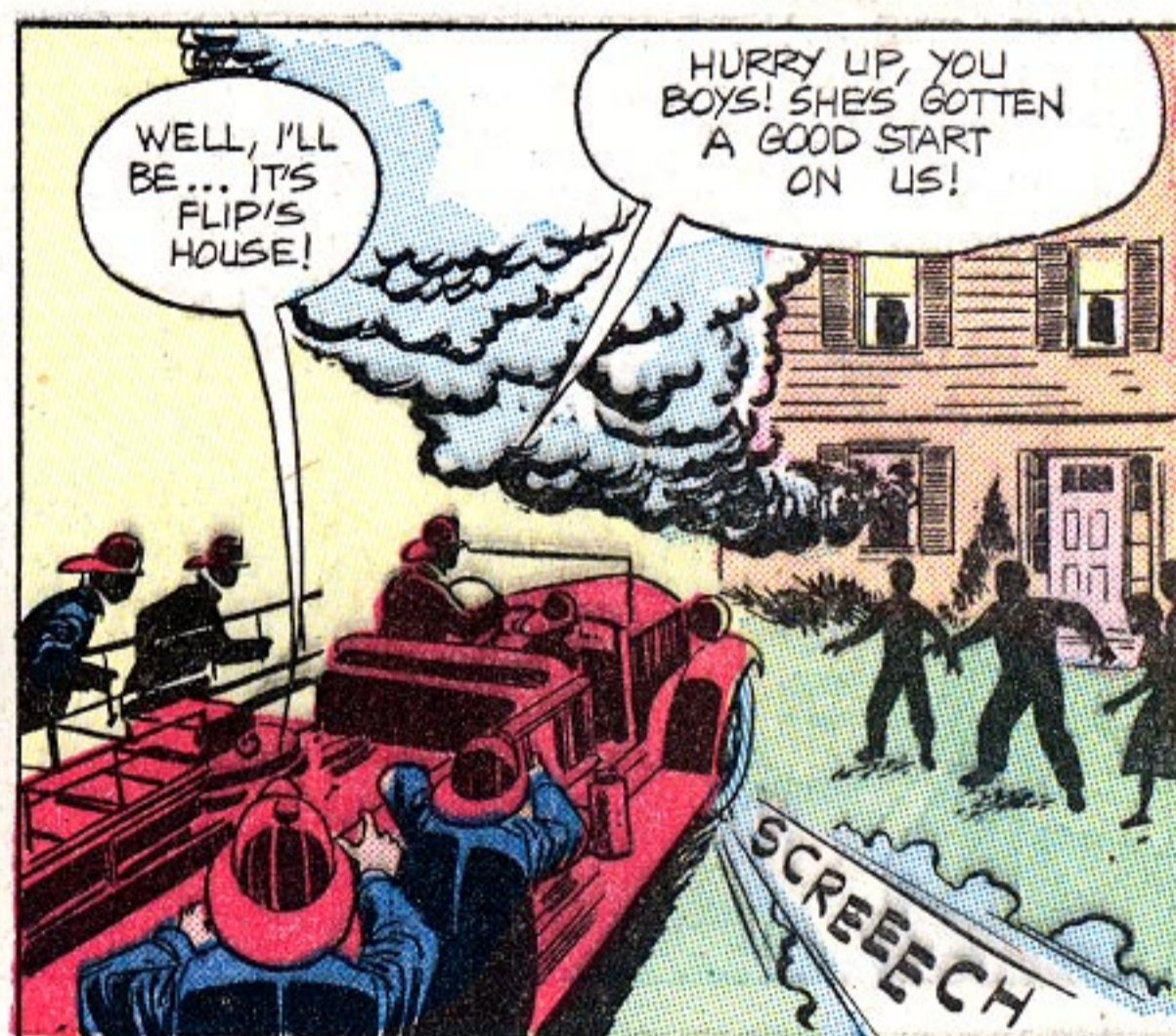
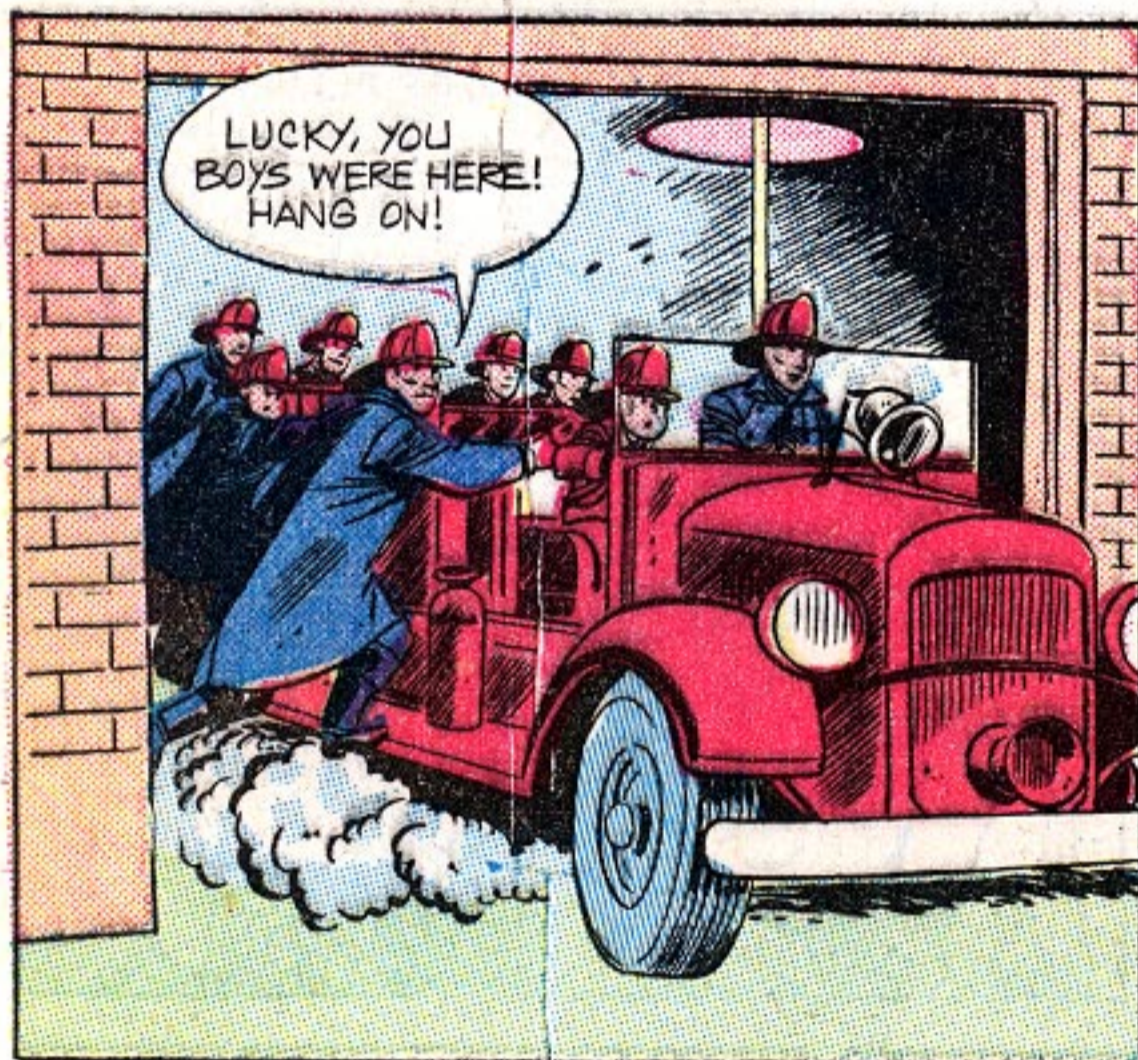
DONT TALK TO YOUR FATHER THAT WAY!

HE'S TOO LAZY, ALWAYS HAS BEEN!



I'LL JUST DUMP 'EM IN THIS BASKET, AND TAKE 'EM OUT TOMORROW! I DONT FEEL LIKE GOIN' OUT IN THE COLD AGAIN! WHO'S GONNA KNOW?



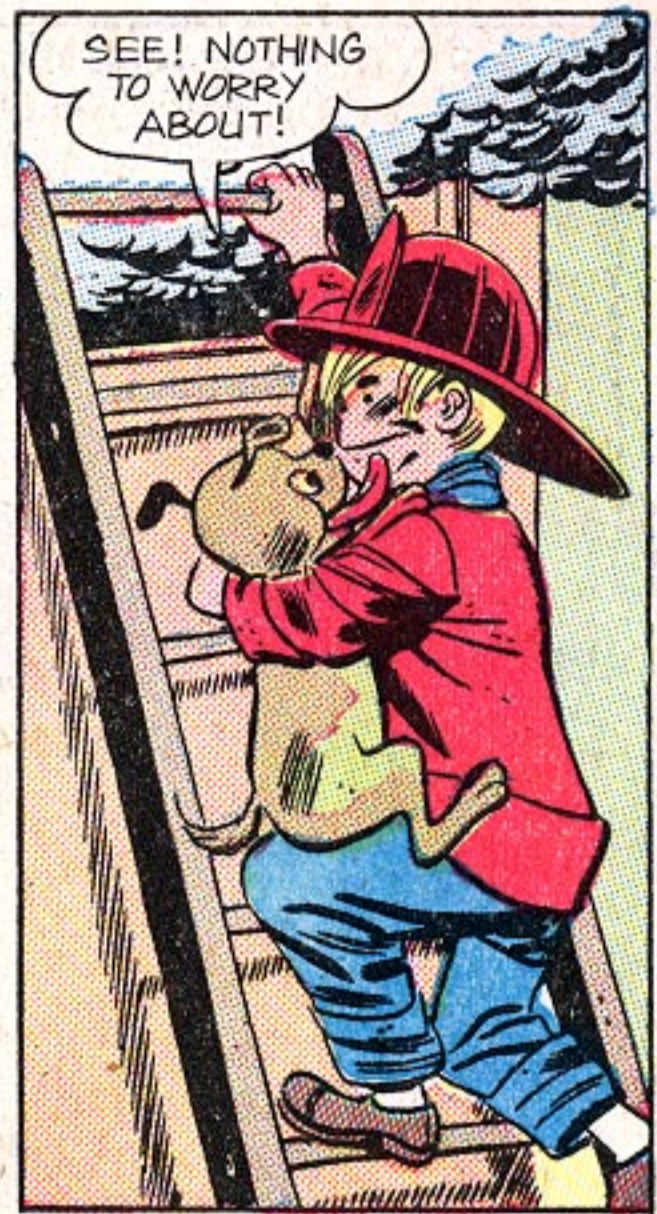




IT'S ALL MY FAULT! I'LL GET HIM!

STAY BACK, BOY!

LOOK! IT'S SLUGGER!



SEE! NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!



YOU'RE WONDERFUL!

AWWW!

C'MON, CASANOVA! WE'VE STILL GOT A FIRE TO PUT OUT!

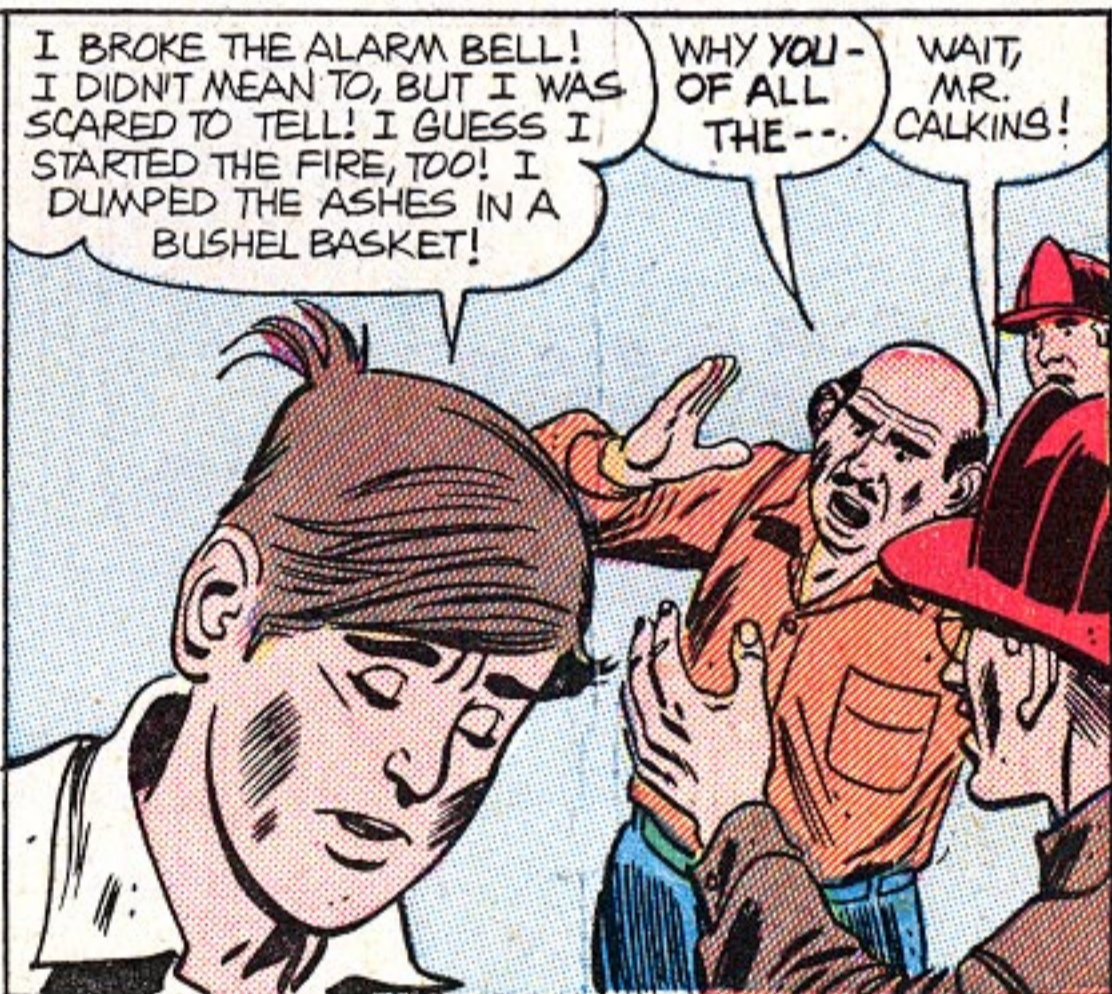


AN HOUR LATER...

WELL, IT COULD'VE BEEN WORSE, I GUESS! THE HOUSE IS SAVED, EVEN IF MOST OF THE FURNITURE IS RUINED!

YOU WORKED AS HARD AS ANY OF US, CALKINS! AND YOU'VE SHOWN PLENTY OF COURAGE! IF YOU'RE WILLING TO GO THROUGH THE COURSE AGAIN, I THINK YOU'LL WIN YOUR BADGE THIS TIME!

I DON'T DESERVE IT! THERE'S SOMETHING YOU DON'T KNOW!



I BROKE THE ALARM BELL! I DIDN'T MEAN TO, BUT I WAS SCARED TO TELL! I GUESS I STARTED THE FIRE, TOO! I DUMPED THE ASHES IN A BUSHEL BASKET!

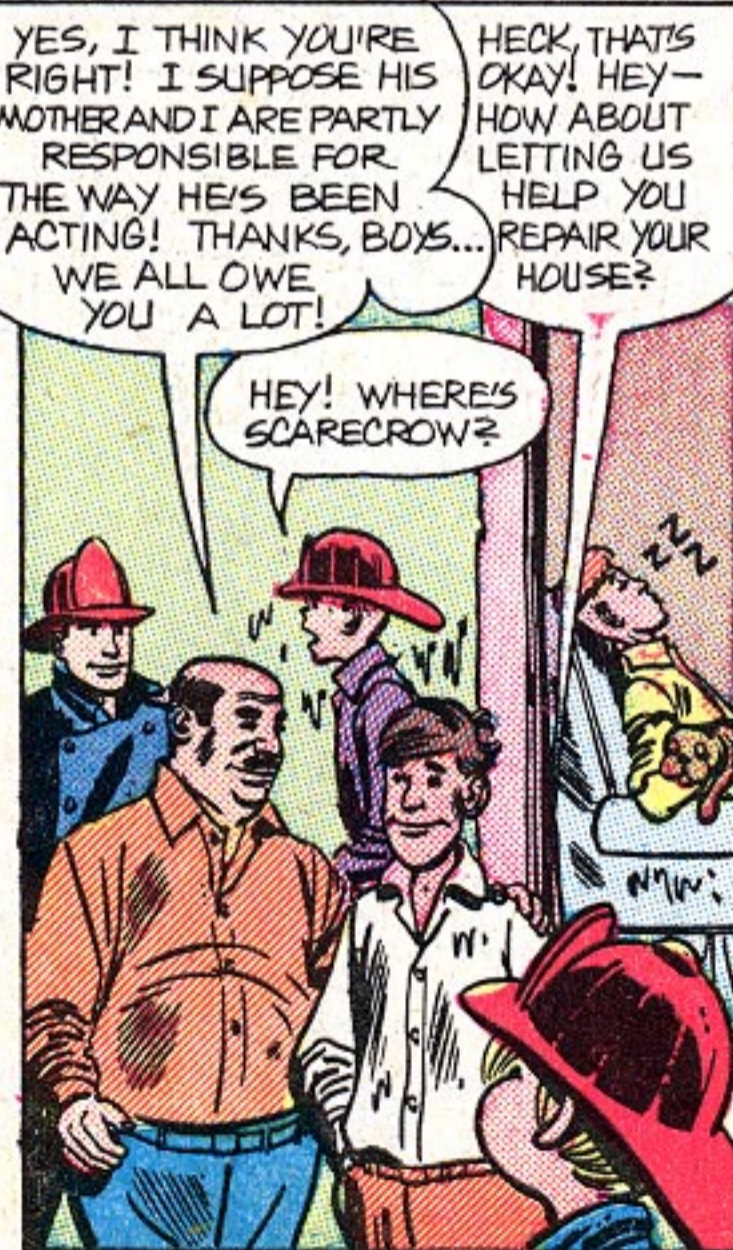
WHY YOU - OF ALL THE ---

WAIT, MR. CALKINS!



IT WON'T DO ANY GOOD TO PUNISH HIM NOW! HE'S LEARNED HIS LESSON! IT TOOK A LOT OF COURAGE TO ADMIT HE WAS GUILTY! HE NEEDS A CHANCE NOW! YOU'VE GOT TO GIVE IT TO HIM!

JOCK'S RIGHT! I'M WILLING TO GIVE THE BOY ANOTHER CHANCE... IF YOU ARE! I THINK HE DESERVES IT!



YES, I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT! I SUPPOSE HIS MOTHER AND I ARE PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WAY HE'S BEEN ACTING! THANKS, BOYS... WE ALL OWE YOU A LOT!

HECK, THAT'S OKAY! HEY - HOW ABOUT LETTING US HELP YOU REPAIR YOUR HOUSE?

HEY! WHERE'S SCARECROW?



WHERE ARE YOU GOING, SCARECROW? TO A FIRE?

HUH? AWW, GEE! I JUST GOT A LITTLE SLEEPY...

HA! HA! HA!

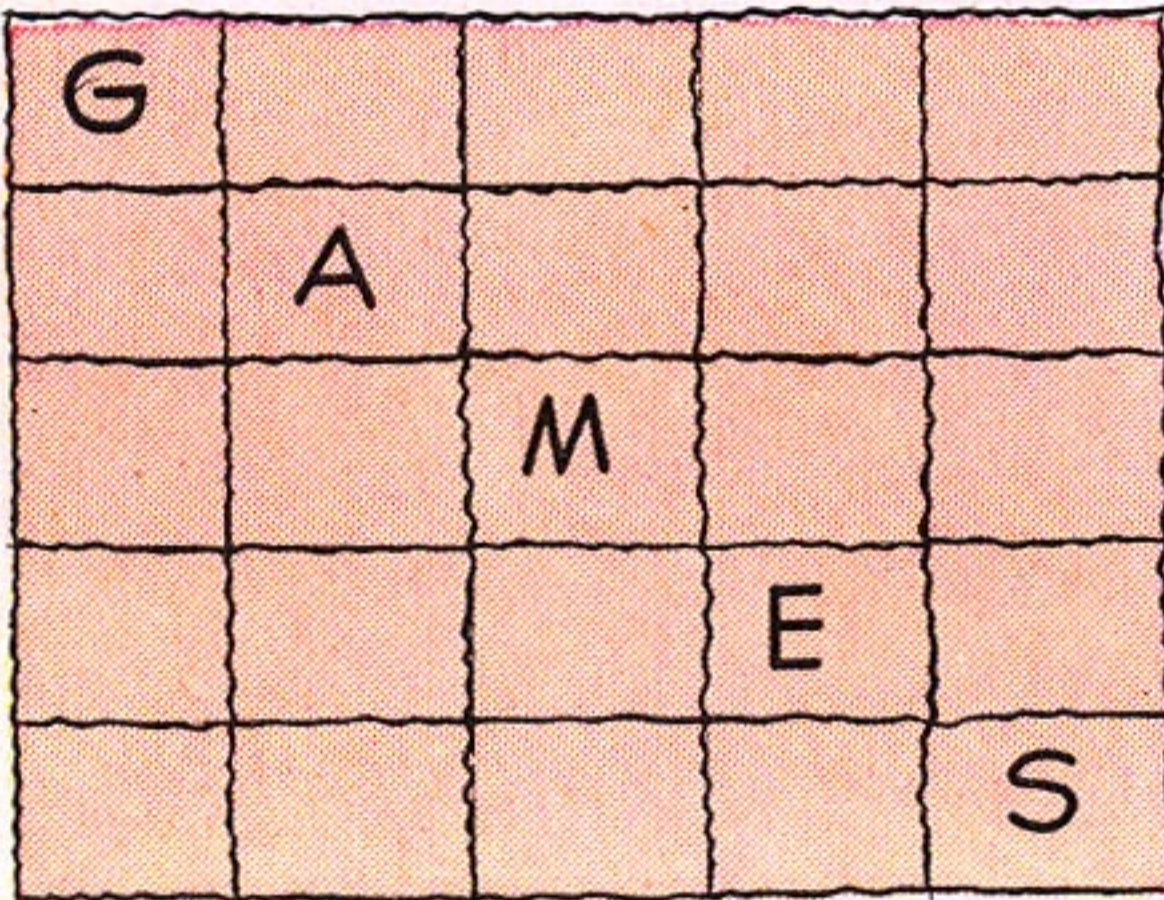
THE END

lev gleason's

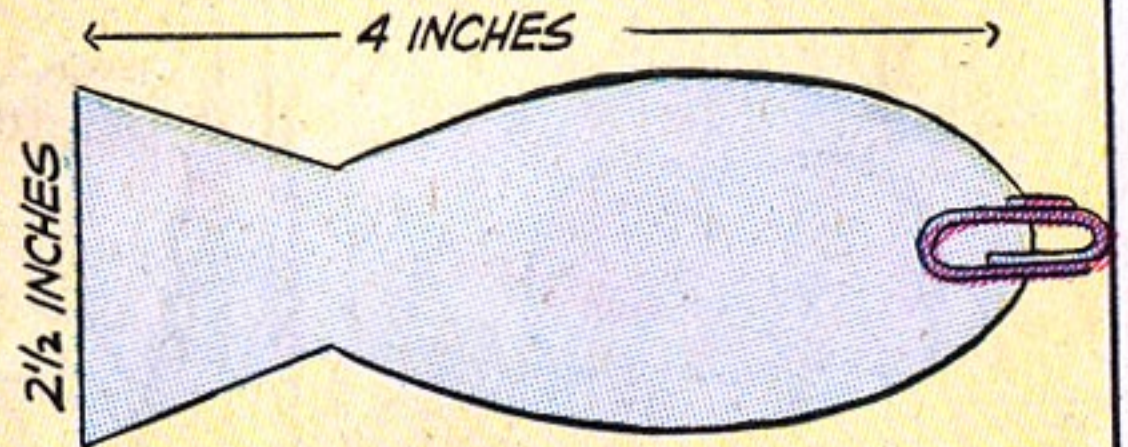
# FUN TIME

A SPECIAL  
DAREDEVIL COMICS  
FEATURE

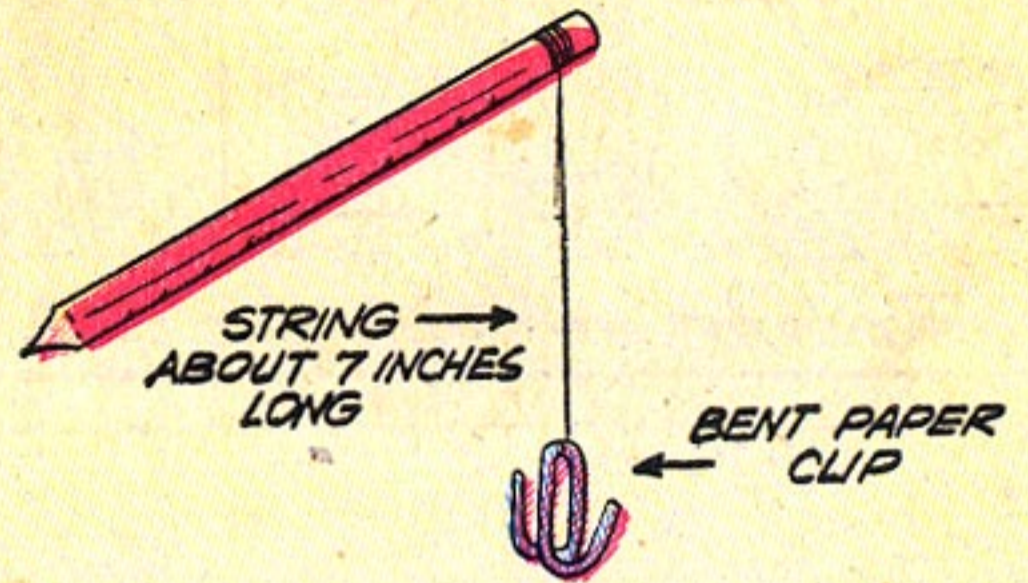
YOU'VE GOT A FULL 15 MINUTES ON THIS WORD QUIZ BELOW. SIMPLY ADD LETTERS TO THE ONES WE'VE GIVEN YOU, AND FORM WORDS READING ACROSS THE PAGE. TRY IT, IT'S FUN.



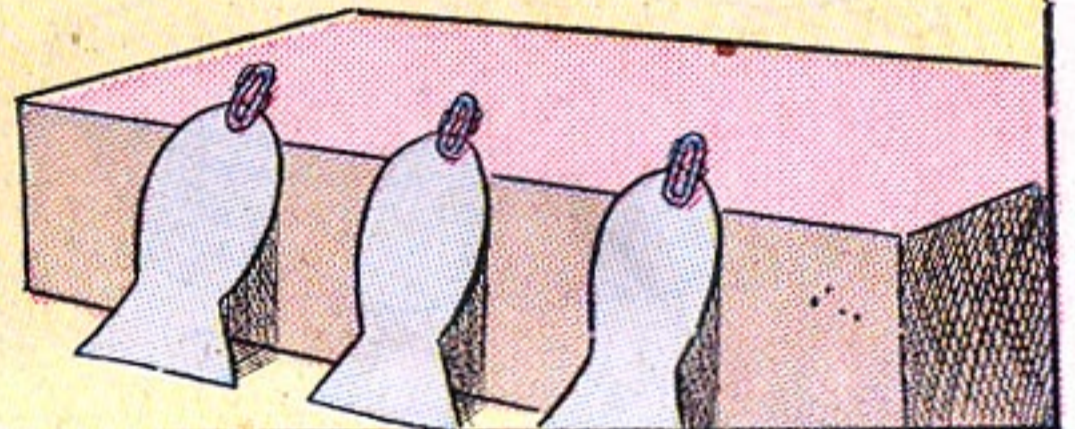
HERE'S A "FISHING GAME" YOU'LL LIKE. CUT OUT FISHES FROM HEAVY CARDBOARD TO THE SIZES GIVEN BELOW. THEN INSERT A PAPER CLIP ON TO THE FISHES "NOSE."



THEN MAKE A "FISHING POLE" AS SHOWN, USING A PENCIL, STRING, AND A PAPER CLIP.



SET YOUR FISHES UP SO THAT THEY LEAN AGAINST THE SIDE OF A BOX. NOW YOU'RE READY TO PLAY THE GAME. EACH PLAYER IS ALLOWED 1 MINUTE TO "CATCH" AS MANY FISH AS HE CAN WITH THE FISHING POLE. IF A PLAYER KNOCKS A FISH DOWN, HE MISSES HIS TURN. 25 POINTS WINS.

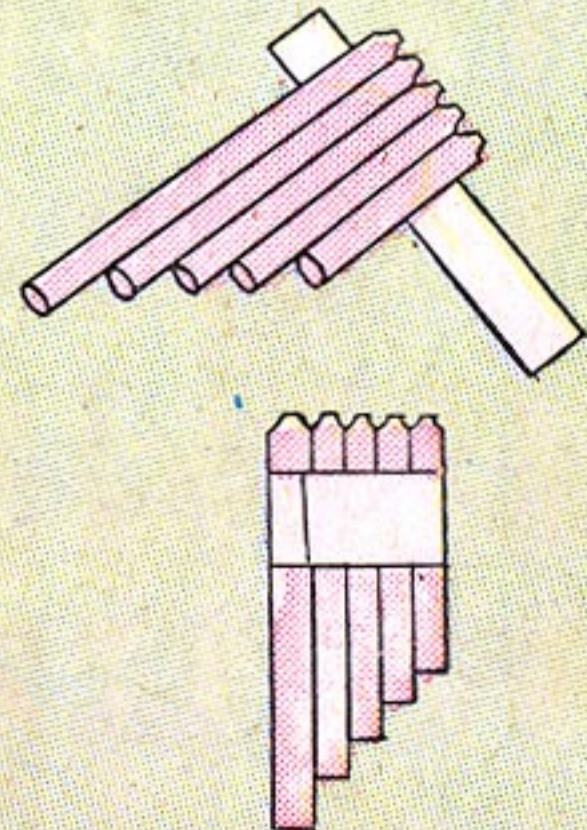
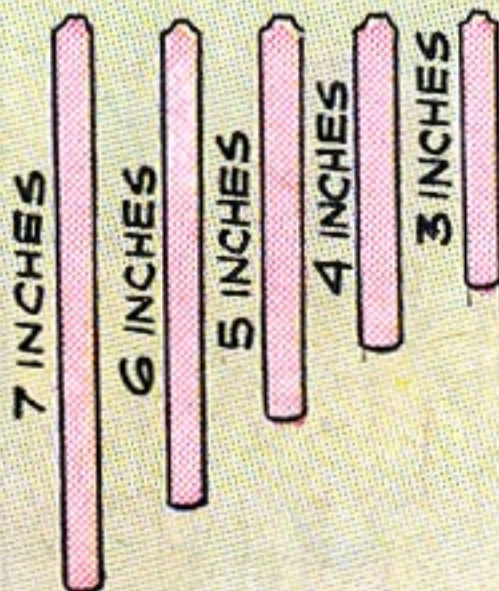
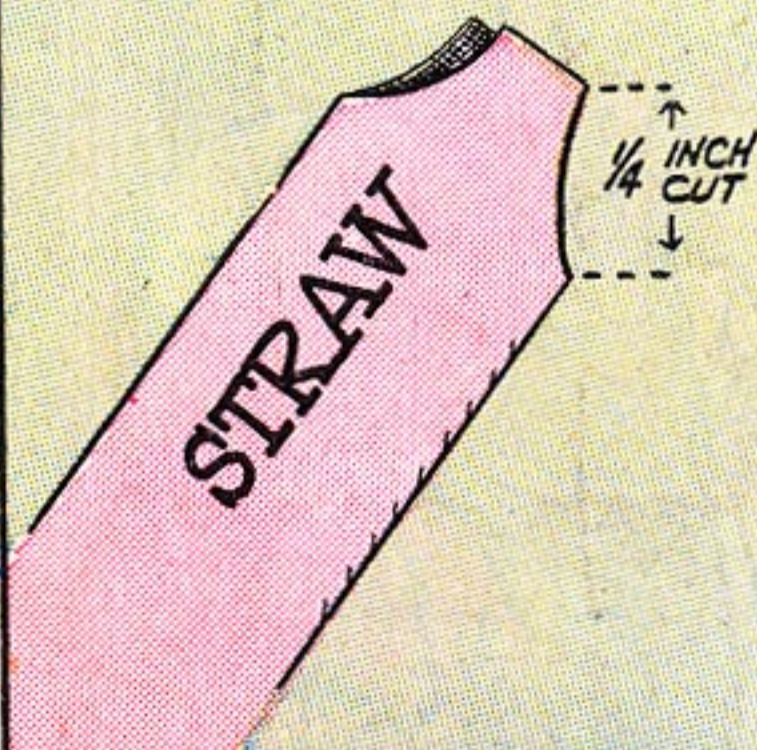


IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE YOUR OWN MUSICAL PIPES, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW AND YOU'RE ALL SET.

CUT ONE END OF 5 SODA STRAWS AS SHOWN BELOW. CHECK TO SEE IF THE STRAWS "WHISTLE" BY BLOWING INTO THE CUT ENDS.

CUT THE STRAWS INTO THESE SIZES

THEN PLACE THE 5 STRAWS ON ADHESIVE TAPE AND YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A MUSICAL PIPE.

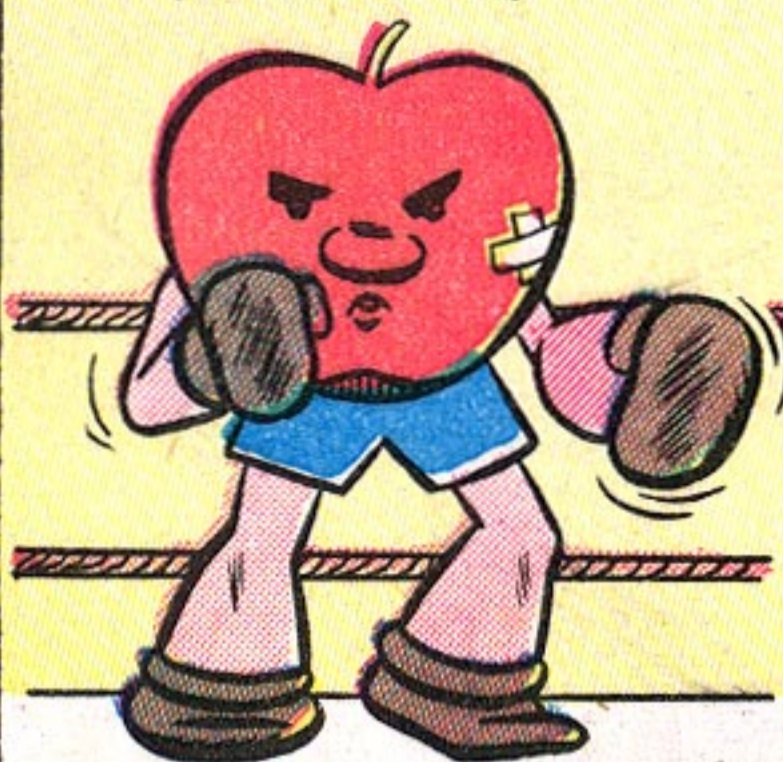




YOU CAN HAVE LOTS OF FUN WITH WORDS IF YOU ONLY STOP AND THINK ABOUT THEM. TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT WE MEAN, GLANCE AT THE WORD-TWISTERS BELOW.

DID YOU EVER SEE IN

AN APPLE BOX?

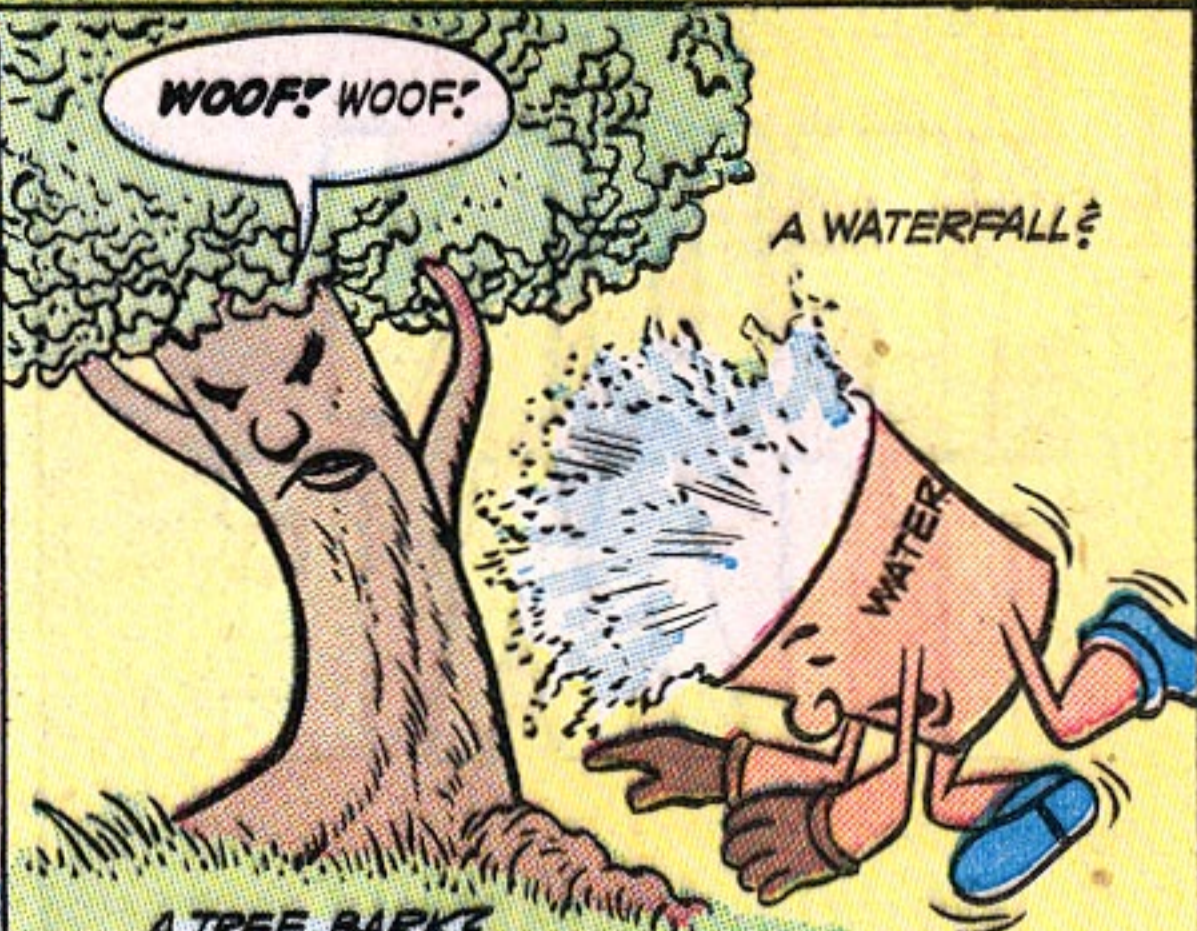


A SKI JUMP?



WOOF? WOOF?

A WATERFALL?



A TREE BARK?

GET THE IDEA? NOW THINK UP SOME OF YOUR OWN. THIS IS FUN, TRY IT.

TRY THIS "FISHING FOR CORKS" GAME THE NEXT TIME YOU GET TOGETHER WITH YOUR FRIENDS. IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS IT LOOKS!!! IF YOU FOLLOW THE RULES, PLACE A PAN OF WATER ON A TABLE WITH SMALL CORKS FLOATING IN IT. THEN EACH PLAYER TAKES A TURN AT "FISHING" FOR THE CORKS WITH A PIN. IF A PLAYER TOUCHES A CORK WITH HIS HAND OR TRIES TO "TRAP" A CORK BY THE SIDE OF THE PAN HE MISSES A TURN. THE FIRST ONE TO GET 3 CORKS WINS.

HERE'S OUR PAL CURLY, SITTING PRETTY, WAITING FOR HIS PICTURE TO BE PAINTED. BUT WAIT!!! OUR ARTIST JUST RAN OUT OF COLORS. CAN YOU HELP HIM OUT BY FINISHING THIS PORTRAIT WITH EITHER COLORED PENCILS OR CRAYONS?



RIDDLE

CORNER

TELL ME CHUM, WHAT'S THE WORST KIND OF WEATHER FOR A MOUSE TO BE OUT IN?

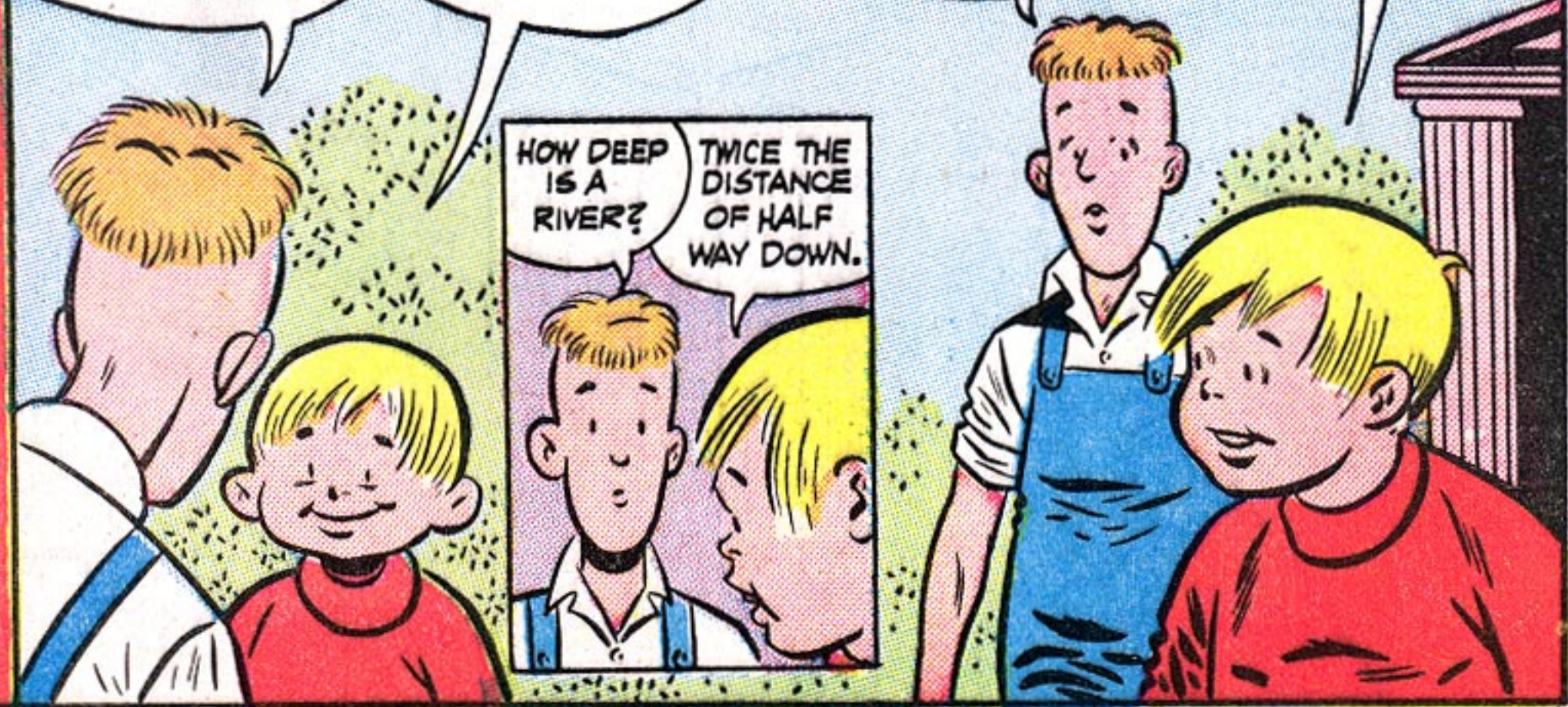
RAINY WEATHER, PAL. WHEN IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS.

WHAT IS IT THAT CRIES ALL THE TIME, EVEN WHEN IT'S NOT HIT?

THAT'S EASY. A BASE BAWL!

HOW DEEP IS A RIVER?

TWICE THE DISTANCE OF HALF WAY DOWN.



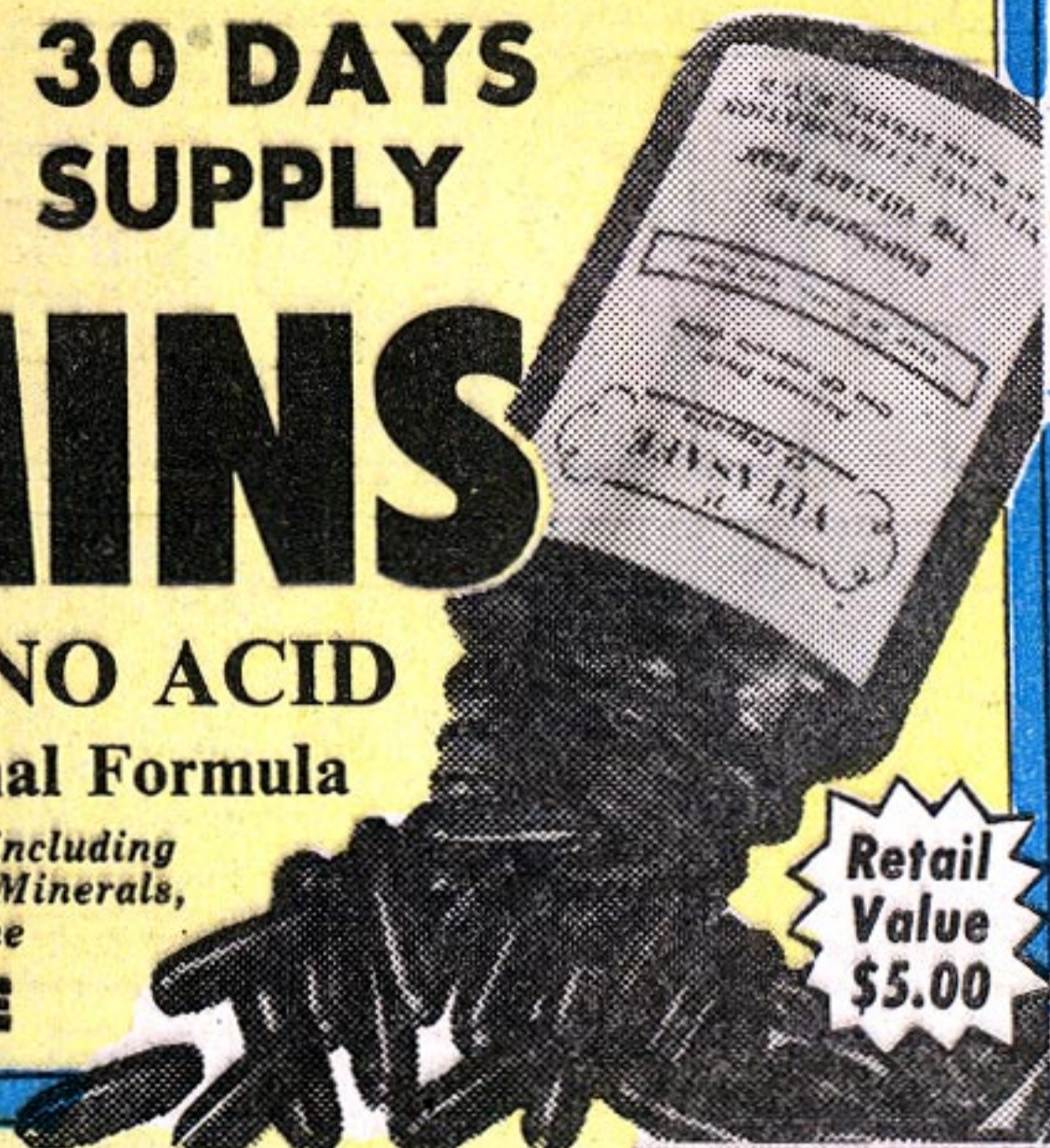
# FREE 30 DAYS SUPPLY VITAMINS

## MINERALS and AMINO ACID

### Safe High Potency Nutritional Formula

25 proven ingredients — 11 Vitamins (including Blood-Building B<sub>12</sub> and Folic Acid), 11 Minerals, Choline, Inositol and Methionine

### NOW YOURS FREE



**Retail Value \$5.00**



To prove to you the remarkable advantages of the Vitasafe Plan... we will send you, without charge, a 30-day free supply of high-potency VITASAFE C. F. CAPSULES so you can discover for yourself

how much healthier, happier and peppier you may feel after a few days' trial! Just one of these capsules each day supplies your body with over twice the minimum adult daily requirement of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> and the full concentration recommended by the National Research Council for the other four important vitamins! Each capsule contains the amazing Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>—one of the most remarkably potent nutrients science has yet discovered—a vitamin that actually helps strengthen your blood and nourish your body organs.

#### POTENCY AND PURITY GUARANTEED

There is no mystery to vitamin potency. As you probably know, the U. S. Government strictly controls each vitamin manufacturer and requires the exact quantity of each vitamin and mineral to be clearly stated on the label. This means that the purity of each ingredient, and the sanitary conditions of manufacture are carefully controlled for your protection! And it means that when you use VITASAFE C. F. CAPSULES you can be sure you're getting exactly what the label states... and that you're getting pure ingredients whose beneficial effects have been proven time and time again!

#### WHY WE WANT YOU TO TRY A 30-DAY SUPPLY—FREE!

We offer you this 30-day free trial of valuable VITASAFE C. F. CAPSULES for just one reason. So many persons have already tried them with such astounding results... so many people have written in telling us how much better they felt after only a short trial... that

we are absolutely convinced that you, too, may experience the same feeling of health and well-being after a similar trial. In fact, we're so convinced that we're willing to back up our convictions with our own money. You don't spend a penny for the vitamins! All the cost and all the risk are ours. A month's supply of similar vitamin capsules would ordinarily cost \$5.00 retail.

#### AMAZING NEW PLAN SLASHES VITAMIN PRICES IN HALF!

With your free vitamins you will also receive complete details of an amazing new plan that provides you regularly with all the vitamins and minerals you will need. This Plan actually enables you to receive a 30-day supply of vitamins every month regularly, safely and factory fresh for exactly \$2.00—or 60% lower than the usual retail price. BUT YOU DO NOT HAVE TO DECIDE NOW—you are under no obligation to buy anything from us whatsoever. To get your free 30-day supply and learn all about this amazing new Plan, be sure to send us the coupon today—the supply is limited.

**VITASAFE CORP.**  
43 West 61 St., New York 23, N.Y.

**Fill out the No-Risk Coupon Today!**

#### Each Daily C. F. Capsule Contains:

Vitamin A	12,500 USP Units
Vitamin D	1,000 USP Units
Vitamin C	75 mg.
Vitamin B <sub>1</sub>	5 mg.
Vitamin B <sub>2</sub>	2.5 mg.
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub>	0.5 mg.
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub>	1 mcg.
Niacin Amide	40 mg.
Calcium	
Pantothenate	4 mg.
Vitamin E	2 I.U.
Folic Acid	0.5 mg.
Calcium	75 mg.
Phosphorus	58 mg.
Iron	30 mg.
Cobalt	0.01 mg.
Copper	0.45 mg.
Manganese	0.5 mg.
Molybdenum	0.1 mg.
Iodine	0.075 mg.
Potassium	2 mg.
Zinc	0.5 mg.
Magnesium	3 mg.
Choline	
Bitartrate	31.4 mg.
Inositol	15 mg.
dl-Methionine	10 mg.

Compare this formula with any other! any other!



**VITASAFE CORP., Dept. 95**  
43 West 61st Street, New York 23, N. Y.

Please send me free a 30-day supply of the proven VITASAFE C.F. (Comprehensive Formula) Capsules, and full information about the VITASAFE PLAN. I am not under any obligation to buy any additional vitamins, and after trying the free sample supply, I will be given the opportunity to accept or reject the benefits and substantial savings offered by the VITASAFE PLAN. In any case, the trial month's supply of 30 VITASAFE Capsules is mine to use free.

I ENCLOSE 25c (coins or stamps) to help pay for packing and postage

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZONE \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: This offer is limited to those who have never before taken advantage of this generous trial. Only one trial supply per family

# FREE

# HOLLYWOOD

## ENLARGEMENT

**Get a Beautiful 5 x 7" Enlargement  
of Your Favorite Snapshot,  
Photo or Negative Absolutely FREE!**

The most treasured possession you can own is a beautiful life-like enlargement of your favorite picture or snapshot. It's beauty and sentimental value will be cherished by you and your loved ones down through the years to come. Ordinarily, beautiful big enlargements like this, printed on fine quality portrait paper are costly. But, if you ACT NOW, you can have a big 5 x 7 enlargement ABSOLUTELY FREE.

If you have always wanted to have your favorite picture or snapshot enlarged like the picture of Movie Stars you have always admired, here's your opportunity to make this wish come true. Hundreds of thousands of people have already taken advantage of this generous offer, and to acquaint millions more with the quality of our work, we make this promise again: If you will send us your most cherished snapshot (either the actual picture or negative), we will make you a beautiful 5 x 7 inch enlargement, on fine quality portrait paper, absolutely FREE!

**IMPORTANT**—Be sure to include color of hair, eyes and clothing, and get our Bargain Offer for having your enlargement beautifully hand-colored in oil and mounted in a handsome frame. Just as Technicolor improves on old-fashioned black-and-white movies, our artistic hand-coloring gives character, beauty and life-like personality to YOUR enlargement!

Here's What To Do—Just mail coupon to us today. Include all information. Please enclose 10c to cover cost of handling and mailing. Your original snapshot or negative will be returned with your FREE 5 x 7 enlargement! That's all there is to it! Limit 2 to customer. Act now! Offer limited to U.S.A.

**LOOK! We Will Pay Up To \$100.00 For Children's  
or Adults Pictures Used In Our Advertising!**

### MAIL COUPON TODAY

HOLLYWOOD FILM STUDIOS, Dept. 550

7021 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood 38, Calif.

Enclosed find \_\_\_\_\_ snapshot or negative.  
(specify number, limit 2)

Please make \_\_\_\_\_ free enlargements.  
(specify number, limit 2)

Handling and Mailing charge of 10c each is enclosed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone \_\_\_\_\_

Fill out description below. Mark back of picture 1 and 2.

COLOR—Picture No. 1

Hair \_\_\_\_\_

Eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \_\_\_\_\_

COLOR—Picture No. 2

Hair \_\_\_\_\_

Eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \_\_\_\_\_



# It's Great Fun to **PLAY A GUITAR**

## **BOB ATCHER,**

Famous  
Recording Star of  
Radio and Television



*and its so  
Easy, too!*

## SENSATIONAL NEW "PICTURE WAY"

**SHOWS HOW TO PLAY GUITAR  
in 10 DAYS or YOUR MONEY BACK**

**48 PHOTOS  
Show EXACTLY  
Where to Put  
Your Fingers**

**OVER 100  
SONGS  
Words & Music  
INCLUDED**

I've discovered a brand new way of showing folks how to play the Guitar . . . and I guarantee to SHOW YOU in just 10 days. It's done with pictures, 48 actual photos that show you exactly how to do the fingering, strumming, etc. You don't have to study a lot of printed words like you do in most courses. With my home-teaching course, it's mostly a matter of just doing what you see being shown in the pictures. It's the easiest and best way that anybody's ever seen. Even if you've never held a Guitar in your hand before, my New "PICTURE WAY" will show you how to play. Experienced players, even other professional entertainers have told me that this "PICTURE WAY" improves their playing.

What's more, you get the words and music for over 100 songs that I've picked for their radio and television popularity. Sing and play along with your favorite records, radio and television programs.  
**DON'T DELAY! Start TODAY!**

**PLAY BEAUTIFUL MUSIC IN 10 DAYS  
OR YOUR MONEY BACK!**

I'm so sure that my New "PICTURE WAY" can show EVERYONE HOW TO PLAY the Guitar, that I'm giving you this IRONCLAD GUARANTEE . . . if you are not playing beautiful music on your Guitar 10 days after you receive the new Bob Atcher Home Teaching Course, return the course to me and get your money back. Could anything be fairer?

## **SEND NO MONEY!**

Just send your name and address to BOB ATCHER. Pay the postman only \$1.69 plus C.O.D. and postage (Or send \$1.69 with the order and I'll pay the postage). Start playing beautiful chords the very first day. Be playing music in 10 days or your money back.

Bob Atcher, Studio 203, 75 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Ill.

### **Bob Atcher's OWN Guitar Bargain**

NOW you can own a Guitar that Bob Atcher personally selected to offer to you as AMERICA'S BEST GUITAR value. ONLY \$19.95. Send \$2.00 Deposit. Pay balance on delivery.

Write me Today — Address: BOB ATCHER, Studio B,  
75 East Wacker Drive . . . CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS

**IT'S THE  
PICTURES  
THAT SHOW  
HOW TO PLAY**

**CAN YOU Hold Your  
Fingers LIKE  
THIS?**



**WHY NOT  
Play the  
Guitar?**

**MAIL THIS  
COUPON  
NOW!**

Write me Today —

**BOB ATCHER, Studio 203  
75 East Wacker Drive CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS**

Please send me, by return mail, one of your new "Picture Way" Home Teaching Guitar Courses. I will pay postman \$1.69 plus C.O.D. and postage. (Or send \$1.69 with order and you pay postage.) I understand that you will refund my \$1.69 if I am not playing beautiful music 10 days after I receive it.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ RFD \_\_\_\_\_ BOX \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_



ALL KINDS OF HOUSEWARES

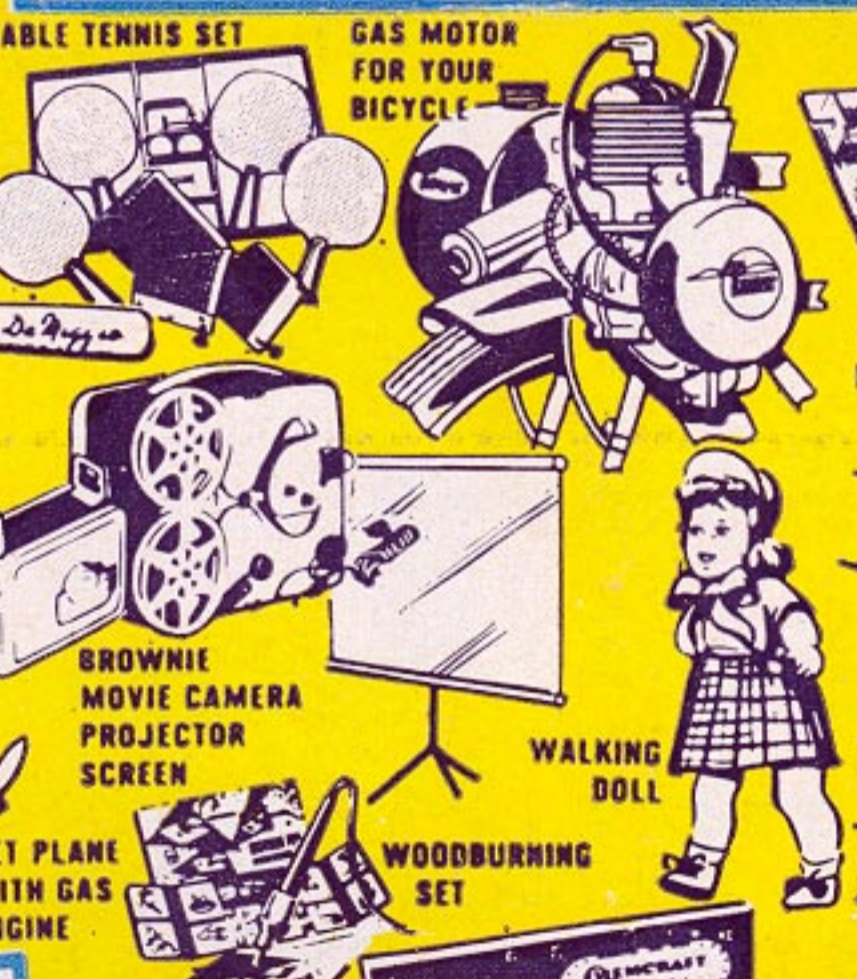
**BOYS-GIRLS-MEN-WOMEN-**  
 Boy and Girl Scouts - Camp Fire Girls - News Boys!

# PRIZES GIVEN

**MAKE MONEY TOO!**

We will send you the wonderful prizes pictured on this page... or dozens of others, such as jewelry, radium dial wrist watches, tableware, tools, air-rifles, U-Make-It kits, leather kits, sewing kits, electric clocks, pressure cookers, scout equipment, model airplanes, movie machines, record players, and many others... all WITHOUT ONE PENNY OF COST. You don't risk or invest a cent—we send you everything you need ON TRUST. Here's how easy it is: Merely show your friends and neighbors inspiring, beautiful Religious Wall Motto plaques. Many buy six or even more to hang in every room. An amazing value, only 35c... sell on sight. You can make big cash commissions or get many exciting prizes for selling just one set of 24 Mottos. Other prizes for selling 2 sets or more. Write today for Big Prize catalog sent to you FREE.

**SEND NO MONEY-We Trust You!**



**\$1,000<sup>00</sup> IN EXTRA PRIZES!**

You can get most prizes on this page by selling just one set of 24 Religious Mottos. In addition, I offer these wonderful BIG prizes! I'll tell you how you may win! All details sent free along with 24 Mottos I send you on credit.

## Here's How You Get Your Prizes

Rush your name and address on coupon and we ship AT ONCE PREPAID your first set of 24 Mottos ON TRUST. When you have sold the 24 Mottos, send the \$8.40 you have collected and you can secure your choice of many wonderful prizes. If you prefer to EARN MONEY, send \$6.00 and keep \$2.40. Hurry, send TODAY for 24 Mottos ON TRUST and big PRIZE CATALOG FREE.

## FREE Membership in FUNman's Fun Club

EXTRA! Sell mottos and send payment within 15 days, and I'll give you free a year's Membership in the FUNman's Fun Club. Membership card, certificate, secret code, giant packet of fun materials all yours—plus extra surprises!

The FUNman, Dept. D-137, 5726 N. Broadway, Chicago 40, Ill. **FREE BIG PRIZE CATALOG**

Please rush to me on 15 days credit 24 Religious Wall Mottos, to sell at 35c each. Also include big Prize Catalog FREE. I will remit amount required as explained in BIG PRIZE CATALOG within 30 days and select the prize. I want or keep a cash commission as explained. INCLUDE DETAILS OF HOW I MAY WIN THE EXTRA BIG PRIZES.

Name.....  
 Street or RFD.....  
 Town.....Zone.....State.....

**SEND NO MONEY—We Trust You!**

The FUNman, Dept. D-137, 5726 N. Broadway, Chicago 40, Illinois